# THE AYRES FAMILY of OWEN COUNTY KENTUCKY

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# Dedication

To My Grandmother

# Lacie Rebecca Ayres Marston 1898-1984

She thought she had the best grandchildren there ever was and she was always interested in what I was doing.



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#### **Preface**

Like many that are involved in genealogical research and family history, the idea of publishing a book [some day] has long been a desire of mine. Quite some time ago my dad [as I asked so many questions] asked if I was writing a book. Apparently I was. They also said I was researching the genealogy of everyone in Owen County-again very close to the truth. The idea of writing a book mostly lay dormant for many years until I started using the software Family Tree Journal. This allowed for the input of genealogy into a database with the option of a computer-generated book. Then, I had a road map I could follow or at least a partial one. Later I starting using and am still using Family Tree Maker which also will generate a book with additional options. This book is generated as a pdf file from Family Tree Maker version 2005. I also became interested in publishing books as a way to preserve the genealogy and family history that I had accumulated over the years. The computer-generated and indexed book was an efficient, time-saving option that had great appeal to me. I read that a book can be anything you want it to be and I have taken that premise to heart. I also read that it takes at least three times as long as you think to prepare a book but in my experience you could probably double that figure. It was about 2000 when I selected the Ayres Family as the focus of a book. The purpose of this book is to present genealogy, family history, photos, stories, and biographies of our Ayres Family [and their descendants and relatives] in an historical perspective and to preserve such for posterity. As a possible side benefit, if this book does anything to make Ayres' cousins see themselves more connected as a "family", then that's great also. Perhaps having a book "out there" to attract attention will lead to the discovery of additional information on the Ayres Family. Hopefully someday another researcher will be able to trace this line back further.

The heart of this book is a genealogy of the descendants of Thomas Ayres of Essex County Virginia. This "Genealogy Report" uses the format of the NGS Quarterly (descendant ordered). The descendants each receive a unique number starting with 1 for the first Thomas Ayres of Essex Co. Va. Those whose descendant line is carried farther are indicated by a "+". There is also included some other ancestor and descendant "trees". The genealogical names from the above appear in the book's index. A number of biographies of varying length have been included, some set apart and many others included in the notes field. I'm sure there would be many other interesting biographies among the Ayres descendants if only I had them and some that are short really deserve a more extended treatment. With apologies to those for whom I had no information, there is a list of Ayres Descendant veterans or spouses thereof. There are a number of additional text and graphic items [illustrations, etc.] in the book and the names from these are not in the index. Separate pdf files [Scrapbook, Photos, Letters, Documents, Appendix, Weddings and Anniversaries, and In Memorial] were generated from The Print Shop version 21. I've collected numerous family newspaper clippings over the years and many scans of these are included in these files.

Undoubtedly, there are a number of unrelated Ayres and Ayers Families. There was a Daniel Eyres of Virginia's Eastern Shore but there's no known relation to our family. One researcher reported the following: "Tracing the Ayreses is difficult because 1. they were traders or shippers and several of them moved about from Barbados to Virginia to Massachusetts in the course of their lives; 2. they tended to side with Cromwell, and so had a spurt of good fortune until the 1660s; after the restoration of the monarchy, many wisely chose to stop being Puritans and become Quakers! They generally moved from the eastern shore of

Virginia/Maryland northward to the region where Pa, Del, NJ, and Md meet. The records are very "iffy" for the period of about 1660 to 1730, and I believe that no one has ever made the connection back to the early Ayres of the eastern shore . I have spent a long time in the search, and been to nearly every library and archive in that area." [my note-I have no proof that our Ayres line belongs to any of these Ayres families but report it here for its possible value]. I have been unable to trace our Ayres line beyond Thomas Ayres (husband of Florinda Good). An earlier John Ayres living in the same area is thought to be a member of this same family but not necessarily an ancestor. Also a William Ayres of Essex County Virginia [probably immigrated from London to Middlesex Co. Va.] is likely a relative to our Thomas Ayres but is not his father. In the future it's likely that DNA testing will sort out some of these different Ayres Families.

In researching your family tree, the trail eventually ends whether due to lost records or other reasons but now there is a different tool available which can help get you over the "brick wall". In the Y chromosome in the cells of males there is a chemical code that has been handed down from father to son since the beginning. The analysis and comparison of the codes provide a glimpse into the past as regards the paternal line which usually correlates with a given surname. The "code" slowly mutates which allows the partitioning of a surname into groups and comparisons also show if there is a match [as per the time-frame for surnames]. I think most researchers have yet to recognize the long-term potential of Y-DNA in their research. DNA results in the Marston study group at FTDNA, are indicating multiple origins for the name. The 11 results thus far lend themselves into 5 non-matching groups: Marston-Norfolk, England-New England; Marston-Mastin-England-Virginia [myself]; Marston-Shropshire, England-Tennessee; Marston-Masten-Canada/New York and Marston-Jamaica . In the future Y-DNA may well lead to the identification of ancestors of this Ayres lineage [Thomas Ayres (Ca 1679-1721) of Essex County, Virginia ]. The link for one Ayres Y-DNA surname project is: http://boards.ancestry.com/mbexec? htx=message&r=rw&p =surnames. ayres &m=647. The Y-DNA test would have to be done by a male Ayres.

The following text is taken from a promotional for the above Ayres Surname DNA project: North American Ayres are numerous and stem from many unrelated lineages. A knowledgeable Ayers researcher recently commented, "...the name "Eyre" comes from "Heyr" which is the same as the modern english word heir. This was a common Norman name in the late middle ages for someone who was an heir. There are also "Ayr" place names like Ayr, Scotland, and Ayre Belgium etc. From what I've seen in researching the name the families of A yer and Ayres in Massachusetts have well documented connections to the Eyres of Wiltshire. The Ayers of N.C. and Virginia who immigrated from 1640 to 1655 came from Bristol and Plymouth and may have had ties to the Derby Eyres. The Derby Eyres were routed in the early part of the English Civil War with part of the family going to the US and part to Ireland...Ayers who came into N.C. after 1745 were Scotch-Irish. Those families have ties typically to Ayr County Scotland or Eyrecourt Ireland. In addition to those there are also Ayres/Ayers families from Ayre Yorkshire and The Town of Ayre in Belgium, and probably others." DNA offers a swift, objective, and relatively inexpensive means to link your Ayres ancestor to any of several large family groups, and I encourage anyone with an Ayres "brick wall" to consider participating.

The Ayres Family is like many other American families particularly Kentucky families with Virginian background. There is both those ambitious-successful individuals as well as those of less ambition. They are all family. The vast majority I dare say are and have been respectable citizens raising their kids the best they knew how given the circumstances of the day and time. Some were colorful. In the general area of Hensley Lane which is off the Squiresville Road many years ago an Ayres descendant [not named Ayres] operated a moonshine still. To his

credit he kept moving it around and was never caught by the law. Another report was that the Feds did catch up with him. He told them that he had more stills and that he would go get them. This gave him the chance to give the Feds the slip. He took off and they gave chase. He would move out of their sight but only to pop up time and again, taunting them "hey I'm over here" as he took off again. Apparently they were never able to arrest him. One prominent Owen Countian sneaked into his still there as a boy and sampled the product. Many of our Ayres Family were musically inclined and their instrument of choice was the fiddle. I can count at least nine that were known to play the fiddle and several of them played publicly.

Some years ago a co-worker of mine and our real estate agent were having a conversation. It somehow came up that one of them knew someone that searched cemeteries on their vacation. The other one stated that she also knew someone that did that. It turned out they were both speaking of me! I don't search cemeteries on every vacation, but I've done a fair amount of it. I became interested in genealogy and family history as a boy. It may be in the genes as I have other ancestors who recorded the births, marriages, and deaths in their parish [but that's a subject for inclusion in another book]. My Ayres Family research began (1960's) with the information that I got from talking with my family, particularly my grandmother, Lacie Ayres Marston and her mother, Fannie Eads Ayres. I also got information from, Margaret Ayres Welch, who was quite interested in family history. She was a double first cousin to my grandmother. Early-on I found out that my great great great grandfather was named Lewis Ayres. Leonard Ayres, father of my friend, Larry M. Ayres was interested in Ayres Family History. When I was at their house one time, he went and got the early Poplar Grove Baptist Church minutes for me to look over. I made some notes from it, including the date of death of Lewis Ayres. For a while Larry and I tried to determine how we were related. My grandmother's first cousin was Nuvil Ayres but Larry's grandfather was named Uval Ayres. My grandmother knew Arline Ayres, who was the brother of Uval Ayres. Arline Ayres lived near A. J. Ayres, brother to Lacie Marston. Leonard Ayres knew there were three brothers who were nicknamed Sam, Pack, and Lum. His great grandfather, James Thomas Ayres was the one nicknamed "Pack". My grandmother knew that her grandfather, Christopher Columbus Ayres was nicknamed "Lum" and thus we were able to put together our connection. My Ayres branch had been familiar with the story of "Pack" Ayres being a running messenger during the War Between the States while Leonard Ayres knew that an Ayres made his own fiddle from a cigar box (this was Lum).

In 1966 the Owen County Historical Society produced an Almanac on the genealogy of "A" surnames in Owen County. It gave a number of dates and names for the Ayres Family. The next step forward came after 1971, when at the Kentucky Historical Society Library, Mr. George Reyes directed me to the book, Forks of Elkhorn. In this book by Darnell, the father of Lewis Ayres, was given as Thomas Ayres.

My research continued intermittently over the years with the search of Kentucky and Virginia records. Over the years I have been in contact with many Ayres descendants some personally and others via the internet. Sometime along the way Norman J. Ayres [brother to Margaret above] did some Ayres research which he shared with me. Not too far into the process our attention was directed to an early Ayres Family in Essex County Virginia as possibly our family. Confirmation came [1993] with the discovery of an entry in "Scott's Papers" making reference to a Kentucky record of Thomas Ayres' deposition that stated "Thomas Ayres of Essex Co. Va.". [an intensive search failed to produce the original record of the deposition].

Along the way I "collected" a lot of names of Ayreses and their descendants from family and various record sources. I have audio tape that I made in the 1970's with my paternal

grandparents speaking of some members of the Ayres Family. There is also some video of the family made in the 1960's by Uncle Jimmy Marston. I corresponded with several Ayres researchers. One was Bill Ayres of Carlsbad California, who was thought to be a descendant of Daniel Ayres [apparently his ancestor was John Osborn who was adopted by William S. Ayres and adopted the Ayres surname]. Mrs. Barbara Gillman of Little Rock Arkansas gave me data on the line of Robert Sale Ayres. Although not an Ayres descendant, Mrs. Isabel Wermeyer of Denver Colorado sent me a lot of detailed notes on the Ayres and related families. In April 2004, Elizabeth Ayres Prewitt graciously hosted at her home [a home built by the late James L. Ayres of Warsaw] in New Liberty her cousin Louise Ayres Boone, Larry Ayres, and myself. This was a great opportunity to exchange information on the Ayres Family. There were many others that contributed to the effort and I have tried to identify them on the acknowledgements page. Without their help this work could not have been as comprehensive.

Although I already had much material on the Ayres Family [having researched it for decades], the exercise of putting it into book form led me to undertake considerable additional research. The discoveries just since that time have been very rewarding. Until the book project came along, the data on the Sam [son of Lewis] Ayres branch was very scant but doing some "detective work" led to much more info and the "mother-lode" of photos of that branch. I even had to search page by page to find Sam's death certificate. I had previously been told by a descendant that there had been a photo of Jim Ayres [Blind Jim Ayres that played the fiddle]. A search for Jim's sister's photo eventually led to his picture also [plus other brothers]. A second visit turned up additional photos including Jim's brother John , children of Jim's brother George, and an ambro-type photo of a likely related man from the 1850's! Some additional family history is "out there" but repeated attempts to obtain or learn more about it have been unsuccessful.

At the risk of belaboring the summation in the last paragraph but at the same time illustrative of the potential rewards of perseverance, I recount much of the effort to learn more of the Lewis Samuel "Sam" Ayres Family. I kept a 1976 obituary of Bessie Ayres Gaines of Frankfort, Ky. She was the daughter of James Ayres [son of Sam] and had several children named Wynn. About 2000 I spoke with her daughter and got some information. She was familiar with the stories about Pete Ayres and mentioned a photo of James Ayres. The first Sam Ayres descendants that I had ever spoken with were her and her niece. In 2000 there was a wedding photo in the paper of a Wynn marriage. This was the very first photo I had ever seen of a Sam Ayres descendant. I was also working with censuses and other records and had traced Sam's oldest son George Ayres and his family to Henry and Shelby Counties [Owen to Shelby 1900-1910]. In 2000, I phoned an Ayres in Henry County, who referred me to another relative that gave me some information [phone call and two letters-last in 2004] on descendants of George Ayres. May of 2002 was the beginning of several attempted contacts with descendants of John Ayres, son of Sam Ayres. I got some information from there. The efforts thus far had produced information on some of Sam Ayres descendants but still not a photo of any of Sam Ayres children. I decided by May of 2004 to try to find a picture of Roxie Ayres, youngest child of Sam Ayres who had died in 1953. From research I found that she first married a Wright and then a Beatty. I wrote to a Beatty but never heard back. I compared the names of some Wrights that I had found with my brother-in-law. He knew some of them and mentioned one that was a widow of one of them. In May of 2004, I wrote to her but no response. In January 2005 I gave her a call and she was most helpful. I don't know that she knew which pictures but she said her sister-in-law had the old pictures. As it turned out her sister-in-law lived in Owenton not far from where my sister lives. In January 2005 I called her and on January 27, 2005 I went to her house and copied quite a few of her photos. There were numerous photos of Roxie who was the subject of this search as well as other Ayres relatives. A quite unexpected bonus however was that there was also photos of other children of Sam Ayres - Jim and Bob Ayres [and several of them]. This was quite beyond any of my expectations but that story was not yet over. The pictures I made were ok but I thought I could probably make better copies. About September of 2005 I tried to recontact her but the phone had changed and then I found they had moved. I tried unsuccessfully to locate them. Time passed and then I tried the old number again and this time she answered and reported that they had moved back. In March 2006 I was copying her photos again and this time she had found some additional ones as well! There was now also a photo of John Lewis Ayres and a photo identified as George Ayres children. There was also an unidentified 1850's ambrotype. There is now a pending effort to attempt to identify any of George Ayres children. My more recent research had identified some of the descendants of Etta Mae Ayres, daughter of George. In May of 2007 I phoned one of them and he referred me to his sister. I wrote to her and later called. She hasn't been able to identify any of George's children for sure but is at this time [5 December 2007] checking on some old photos that she has.

Our Ayres family settled in the Poplar Grove area well before the formation of Owen County when the area was still in Gallatin County. Over the years the family and descendants have all moved away from the village of Poplar Grove. Two of the last Ayres families residing there were the Estill Ayres and Leonard Ayres families. Estill Ayres died there in 1947. Daughters of Leonard Ayres were probably the last of the Ayres descendants to live [until about 1987] at Poplar Grove. There are however many Ayreses and Ayres descendants living elsewhere in Owen County today.

I once had a discussion with another researcher regarding another family. I was of the opinion that her long-held ancestral connection was wrong. I had a contrary view with evidence supporting my position, while she really had none. The other researcher admitted to being at least partially convinced of my view but did not want to change what had long been "a" truth. In my research [whether I find it or not] I am searching for "the" truth. In building a genealogical record that will endure, care must be taken as to the source of the information which should be properly cited. An inaccuracy does not become truth through some agingprocess. A well-researched and documented family history will stand the test of time [unless contradicted by DNA testing], but a family tree based on guesses and faulty reasoning will not. For my direct ancestral tree back to Thomas Ayres of Essex, I have given citations for each generation and believe that I have largely fulfilled the principles of the Genealogical Proof Standard as outlined by Christine Rose [San Jose, California 2001]. This standard is composed of five criteria: 1. reasonable exhaustive research has been undertaken, 2. included complete and accurate citations, 3. analyzed and correlated the collection of information, 4. resolved any conflicts, 5. arrived at a soundly reasoned, coherently written conclusion. Even after a GPS case is made, each new discovery [assuming it's credibly sourced] forces a complete reevaluation. It may strengthen or even negate the previous conclusion. I would be remiss if I did not point out that this standard is not necessarily applied to the additional genealogy [that other than my direct line appearing in the book] however much of the other genealogy of this section will rise to that same level of proof. For example, there are instances where individuals will be included in a family group merely by being listed in a census where no relationship is stated but inferred [1850-1870].

As there has been some interest, I want to say a word here about determining relationships as I understand it. Everyone knows the meaning of a first cousin but what is a second cousin or a third cousin once removed? If two individuals' parents are siblings then they are first cousins. If their grandparents are siblings then they are second cousins, great grandparents then third cousins, etc. [you can add two to the number of greats and get the number that cousin

would be]. My great grandfather was Charlie Ayres and one of his sisters was Mary Elizabeth Ayres Morgan. One of her great grandchildren was Margo Reed Karsner who is my 3rd cousin. Extending the ancestry one more generation to my great great grandfather, Christopher Ayres and to his brother James T. Ayres- his great grandson Larry Ayres is my 4th cousin. My son and Larry's children would be 5th cousins. My 3rd great grandfather Lewis Ayres was a brother to Daniel Ayres. A 3rd great grandchild of Daniel was Edna Kemper Davis. She and I are 5th cousins. When the generations do not match exactly, a person is then a cousin one or more generations removed in either direction. Thus Edna Kemper's daughter, Nancie Davis Purtill [a valuable contributor to this work] is my 5th cousin once removed. Norman J. Ayres [nephew of Charlie Ayres] is my first cousin, twice removed [actually double as he is also kin on the Eads side].

I would like to express my appreciation to Wanda Tackett McNeely for writing the foreword for this book and for all her contributions to this work and for her encouragement. She has sent me copies of quite a volume of documents and pictures. I think I could count on one hand the number of researchers that have been so forthcoming.

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#### Foreword

Genealogy has become an important hobby. More and more people are taking up this hobby all the time. There is an age-old adage "you can't know where you are going, unless you know where you have been". History is important, and this book is a part of our history. This research helps you to see who your forefathers were, what they did and how they survived. Through genealogy you may come to understand better, who and what you are. This book has an abundance of Owen County, Kentucky history. I have parents, grandparents, great grandparents, and great-great grandparents who were born in Owen County. I was born there too. It's my favorite place.

Shortly before Christmas I was sent a copy of the Ayres Book. I was not able to put it down until I had finished the complete book. I was amazed at all the work that Barry had put into this manuscript. You are going to be very pleased to have all of this information for yourself and to pass it on to all your family members. This is a family book. We are all cousins. We just have to figure out how we are all related.

Let me start at the beginning with how Barry's and my paths crossed. In 2002 I was at the Monterey Fair in Owen County and bought some apples from Larry Ayres. I asked him if he was related to C.C. Ayres. He said he was and that he knew someone who was working on an Ayres Book and could give me the Ayres' information that I was trying to locate. I contacted Barry Marston, and found out that he did indeed have lots of Ayres information, as well as information on many of my other lines. He was always willing to share and was very helpful in all my research. Thus, genealogy not only connects us with our ancestors, but puts us in touch with family members we might otherwise not have known.

Because you are reading this book, you are obviously interested in the Ayres and allied lines. You will find this book full of maps, pictures, letters and other documents to further your genealogy pursuits. Barry gives us proof over and over again that supports all his findings. I know you will want to contribute to his research as you continue your ancestral quest.

Thank you Barry, for so generously sharing with all of your Ayres' kin this wonderful book. It is truly a work to be proud of.

Wanda Tackett McNeely Granddaughter of Lizzie Ayres Mefford

December 15, 2006

# The Ayres Name

Surnames contain a small but well-memorialized slice of our family histories. One of the first groups to employ standardized surnames were the nobles of Normandy, who adopted surnames for roughly the same reasons that European rulers adopted titles of nobility. A surname was seen as being a mark of status that helped to distinguish the aristocrat from the commoner. The practice spread from Normandy to the rest of France and, following the Norman conquest in 1066, the English and Scottish nobility adopted the Norman affectation with enthusiasm, though hereditary surnames had been all but unknown previously. In both Britain and France, the practice spread from the landowning class to all classes in the early 1300s, being adopted in larger settlements first (*Jeff Chapman*, "The Origins of Family Names", Family Chronicle, July/August 2000, p. 41). Sometimes names were changed for various reasons. Many times an ancestor's name was changed by some scribe not understanding the speaker's pronunciation. The evidence in the records of an earlier day suggests that spelling was not very important and not even an issue. So which spelling was correct? Before standardized spelling, they all are!

According to the U. S. census statistics for 1990 .017% of the population was named **Ayers** with a rank of 677. The frequency for **Ayres** was .004% with a rank of 2833. The results for some other surnames are: Marston .002%, Smith 1.006% & rank 1, & Airs, Aires, Ayrs, Eyresnone found. One source gives the surname origin of Ayer as "heir" (old French).

Writing in "Hobbies" in October 1948, Mabel Keech provides the following about the Ayres Family: The first of the family was named Truelove, who was one of the followers of William the Conqueror. At the battle of Hastings, Duke William was flung from his horse and his helmet beated into his face, which Truelove observing, pulled it off and horsed him again. The Duke told him: "Thou shalt hereafter from Truelove be called Eyres (or Air) because thou hast given me the Air I breathed." After the battle, the Duke inquiring respecting him, found him severely wounded (his leg and thigh having been cut off). He ordered the utmost care and on his recovery, gave him lands in Derby in reward for his service, and the leg and thigh in armor, cut off, for his crest, an honorary badge worn by all the Eyres in England." [this legendary account is found in Thorpe's catalogue of the deeds of Battle Abbey.] [There are traditions in many families in which the claim is made of an association of an early ancestor with William the Conqueror, however not all are true] . The coat-of-arms of many branches of the family are very similar and the different families held to the ancient story.

A few of the spelling variations found in the records for this surname are: Ayar, Ayars, Ayer, Ayers, Ayers, Ayre, Ayres, Air, Aire, Aires, Airs, Ares, Eir, Eires, Eyer, Eyere, Eyeres, Eyers, Eyers, Eyers, Eyers, Eyers, Eyers, & Eyrese [also variations preceded by H].

Galpedus le Heyer, who lived during the time of Edward II (1307-1327), held a large estate in Derbyshire.

The old Wiltshire (southern England & location of Stonehenge) family of Eyre enjoyed for several centuries the highest distinction within its native county, and was of consideration in the state, most of its chiefs having had seats in Parliament, and two of them learned in the law of the land, one a Lord Chief Justice of the Common Pleas. A branch too, which emigrated to Ireland, attained the peerage of that country.

Humphrey Le Heyre, of Bronham, Wiltshire, had a descendant, Thomas Eyre, who held lands in Wiltshire in the 21st year of the reign of Queen Elizabeth in 1579. Thomas married Elizabeth Rogers. One of their nine children was John, born between 1587 and 1590, who came to New England probably in 1637. John's name seemed to change to Ayer after coming here.

George Eyre came in 1727 from Henniton, Co. Nottingham and settled in Burlington, N. J.

He was a minister there and in Philadelphia. He had three sons, Manuel, Jehu, and Benjamin George, who were Colonels in the Revolutionary War. Manuel built some of the first gunboats ordered by the Continental Congress. Jehu, at the age of 21, was given commission to build boats for navigation of the Ohio River. Benjamin George was aide-de-camp to George Washington. John Trumbull who took part at the Battle of Princeton, painted Benjamin George on horseback with hat off, and charging sword in hand. Jehu, at the time of his death, had with him letters from Washington, Hamilton and others which would have proved Benjamin George' position, but he had named as executors-before the war, two Quakers who were against war. So, when his estate was given into their hands, they put all of Jehu's uniforms, weapons, and documents having anything to do with war, in a barrel, and buried it so!

The International Genealogical Index established by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints includes a William Fitz Aer, born 1196 in Shropshire England, a William Ayres of London, England, born about 1580, and a John L. Eyre (Heyr) born about 1325 in Wedhampton, Wiltshire England. There was a Johne Air that married 16 August 1573 in Angus Scotland. There are several of the name Benjamin Eyre in Derby, England in the 1600's also. For the branch of the family that is the focus of this book, **Ayres** has been the most consistent spelling of the surname down through the generations that have been traced.

RootsMap has produced surname distribution maps [Appendix p. 7] utilizing the 1881 census of the United Kingdom. They have extracted heads of household from the data using the earliest born of the group and their birthplaces to build a database. It is recognized academic theory that even with migration, enough people of a particular surname tend to stay in and around the same place, so that counties showing the highest occurrence of a name are more likely to prove fruitful in searching for ancestors of that name. An Ayres distribution map based on the earliest 1023 entries [by date of birth] [1791-1844] shows some counties with no Ayreses and varying numbers in other counties. The three leading counties were Middlesex, Buckinghamshire, and Oxfordshire. Taking in to account the density based on that county's 1881 population, the leading counties were Huntingdon, Oxfordshire, and Berkshire.

# The First Ayres Families of Virginia

The Far East has its Mecca, Palestine its Jerusalem, France its Lourdes, and Italy its Loretto, but America's only shrines are her altars of Patriotism-the first and most potent being Jamestown, the sire of Virginia, and Virginia the mother of this great Republic. [a 1907 Virginia guidebook]. In June of 1606 King James I granted a charter to a group of London entrepreneurs, the Virginia Company, to establish a satellite English settlement in the Chesapeake region of Virginia. On May 14, 1607, the Virginia Company explorers landed on Jamestown Island, to establish the Virginia English Colony on the banks of the James River 60 miles from the mouth of the Chesapeake Bay. By one account, they landed there because the deep water channel let their ships ride close to shore, close enough to moor them to the trees. Settlement began slowly and the population of Virginia was estimated to be 32,000 in 1675. By 1704 the Virginia population was about 75,000. There were exceptions but the general trend of later settlement of Virginia was: South of England to Virginia 1642-75 (origins comprising two great circles of about 60 miles around London [before 1650] and Bristol [after 1650] at the centers), North Midlands (Quakers) to the Delaware Valley 1675-1725, and Borderlands (north of Ireland, Scottish lowlands, northern counties of England) to the Backcountry 1717-1775.

On November 21, 1621 Edward Bennett, a rich merchant of London, was granted a patent for a plantation (later Isle of Wight County) upon the condition of settling 200 immigrants. Associated with him in that patent were his brother, Robert Bennett, and his nephew (?), Richard Bennett, Thomas Ayres, Thomas Wiseman, and Richard Wiseman [some of Thomas Ayres relatives could have immigrated to Virginia]. Nugent's Virginia land patents gives the names of a number of early Ayres (Eyres) settlers. One was William Eyres, who was granted in 1634 150 acres on Warrisquicke Creek (Isle of Wight Co.) for his own transport and that of two others. Isle of Wight County was originally named Warrisquoyacke, one of Virginia's original shires. [of families known to have settled in Isle of Wight Co. during the 17th century, 50% came from the 5 counties of Devon, Dorset, Gloucester, Somerset, and Wiltshire. Another 40% were from London and its environs.] Richard Bennett (1608-Ca. 1674 Nansemond Co. Va.), who acted as Governor from 1652-1655 (during Virginia's period as a commonwealth under Cromwell), was a Burgess from Warrasquoyoke in 1629, and a member of the Council in 1642. Because of his Puritan religious beliefs he left Virginia for Maryland to escape persecution. Three of his uncles, Richard Bennett, Captain Robert Bennett, & Edward Bennett, merchant, all of London had founded a plantation in Virginia called "Bennett's Welcome", and had spent some time in the new settlement. Col. Samuel Chew (born about 1630 in Jamestown) removed to Maryland about 1648 and married about ten years later Ann Ayers (1640-1695), daughter of William Ayers of Nansemond Co. Virginia. Ann was a prominent Quakeress & the Society of Friends held their monthly meetings in her home. One William Ayres was a Color Bearer for the Puritans at the Battle of the Severn in 1655 [on & around the banks of the River Severn in what is now Maryland; it was the final battle of the English Civil War]. The first colonists to live in the Severn River area were Puritans from Nansemond, Virginia, on the banks of the James. Unwilling to submit to Virginia Governor William Berkeley's demands for allegiance to the Church of England, they sought refuge in Maryland. It was reported that many of the settlers of Somerset Co. Maryland (Eastern Shore) came from the bordering county of Accomac in Virginia (Eastern Shore). One Thomas Ayres of the Eastern Shore of Maryland made a deposition in 1755 at the age of 68 (born Ca. 1687). This Thomas married Elizabeth Maxwell. The Ancestral File gives the information that a Thomas Ayres (born Ca. 1688) in

Somerset Co. Md. was the son of a Henry Ayres born about 1655 in Scotland. The IGI reports a Henrie Air christened 3 May 1646 in Angus, Scotland.

In Ralph T. Whitelaw's "Virginia's Eastern Shore, a History of Northampton & Accomack Counties" Picton Press, v 2, Virginia Historical Society 1951, pp 986-987, there is mentioned the presence of a square shaft inscribed on all four sides (Accomac County). On the North Face there is inscribed "In Honor of John Eyres (Ayres), Mariner of Rappahannock County, Virginia, who settled in Accomac Before 1666; Died Circa 1702, Mary Hill, his wife" (etc.). There is genealogy inscribed on all sides. The date of placement of this shaft is unknown but it includes the birth of an Edmond Ayres in 1834. .[The on-line Ancestral File gives John's (d. ca. 1702) parents as Isabel Newton & Henry Ayres (born in England Ca. 1620)].

A Richard Eyres of Barmondsey, Surrey, citizen and leatherseller of London left a will dated 8 August 1646. One bequest was to Sarah wife of William Clapham of Virginia and her children [one William Clapham was granted land on the south side of the Rappahannock river in 1650]. In 1655 John Ayres patented 200 acres on the South side of the Rappahannock River adjoining William Clapham (Rappahannock Co. Va.).

There were a number of men named Ayres/Eyres that settled along the area of the Chesapeake Bay in several counties extending from the Atlantic in the south to the north into Maryland. These counties dispersed at some distance from each other were probably much closer than apparent when considering the ability to travel between them via sail boat on the Chesapeake and into the major rivers drained by the Chesapeake. A John Ayres was granted, in 1655, 200 acres upon the south side of the Rappahannock River. Headrights (50 acres for each) were John Taylor, John Ayres, Elinor Gill, and Henry Peters (Nugent page 322). Mr. Robert Eyres was granted 350 acres on the Southward side of the Rappahannock River in 1645. Mr. Edmond Ayres was granted 500 acres in Northumberland Co. Virginia in 1657. There was a John, Thomas, & Daniel who were the sons of Mr. Thomas Eyre of Northampton Co. about 1662.

A John Ayres (Research of Mrs. Isabel Wermeyer) on 6 February 1654/5 paid levy on 3 tytheables to Mr. George Taylor, Lancaster Co. Va. John appears in a number of records and it is shown that his wife was Joane and that one son was Benjamin Ayres. In 1662 John was referred to as a Rappahannock Co. merchant and he lived near the southwest side of Cockleshell Creek (Essex County today) (between Layton and Leedstown) in Sittingbourne Parish, Rappahannock Co. Va. He appears as late as 1673 in the Old Rappahannock Co. Virginia records when he was a witness to a deed of James Cogghill (Deed & Wills #5 p.132). In Middlesex Co. in 1674 a certificate is granted to George Reeve for the transport of Danniell Air. Also a Christopher Ayres is mentioned in the Middlesex Co. (borders Essex Co. to north) Va. records 1681-1702. In a Middlesex order dated 30 September 1681 Christopher Ayres, aged 30 years or thereabouts, gives a deposition regarding the will of Lt. Col. John Burnham. Also in Middlesex Co. a William Ayres was entered in the county orders as the [indentured] servant to Ralph Wormeley, Esgr. 5 December 1681. He immigrated in the ship "Recovery" and he was adjudged to be 18 years of age. A later (2 Jan 1681/2) county court order makes reference to a Capt. Thomas Hasted, commander of the ship "Recovery" now riding at anchor in the Rappahannock River. In the Lancaster Co. Va. county orders of 1678, Thomas Hasted, commander of "Recovery" was arrested for not delivering an 18 year old servant according to an agreement. The servant had been shipped by a merchant of London. The Wormeleys lived at "Rosegill" near Urbanna in Middlesex County. Rosegill was a social and political center and the home of an acting Governor. Ralph Wormeley (II) served as Justice, Burgess, and member

of the Governor's Councill. He was a member of the Christ Church Vestry, was collector of his Majesty's Customs, Naval Officer in the Rappahannock, and one of the first trustees of William & Mary College. He was one of the most powerful men in Virginia at the time. William Ayres (died Ca. 1705) obtained a marriage license in 1694 to marry Anne Smith, daughter of Capt. Anthony Smith (Justice of the Peace; died Ca. 1693) (Essex Co.). William bought land [1696;north of Mt. Landing Creek] in South Farnham Parish, Essex Co Va. This Parish ran down the Rappahannock toward Middlesex with St. Anne Parish to its north. William Ayres, husband of Anne Smith could be the same individual that immigrated in the "Recovery". Apparently he came on the voyage dated 19-30 August 1681 which sailed from London to Virginia under the command of Thomas Hasted. The "shipper" was James Wagstaff. William (if the immigrant) would be about 31 years of age at the marriage. Records (Coldham's Book of Emigrants) show that Thomas Hasted, commander of the ship "Recovery" made a number of voyages from London from 1677-1686 usually every summer. The destination was usually Virginia but Carolina was also a destination. In 1699 there was reported the death of Thomas Hasted of Stepney, Middlesex (England) on the ship Bristow in Virginia. One Thomas Ayres was indentured at the age of 11 for a period of 10 years. His destination was Jamaica and the agent was John Bare. He was the son of Thomas [a soldier] and Elizabeth Ayres of Drury Lane, London, England. No further is known of him. In 1697 (Essex Co. Va.) James Aires & others were paid for wolves heads.

The foregoing has been an attempt to name a few of the early Ayres settlers in Virginia, some of which "could" be members of the Ayres Family covered in this book. In some instances there is little or no documentation (given) to support all of the assertions and there may have been some confusion in which the same individual is attached to different families.

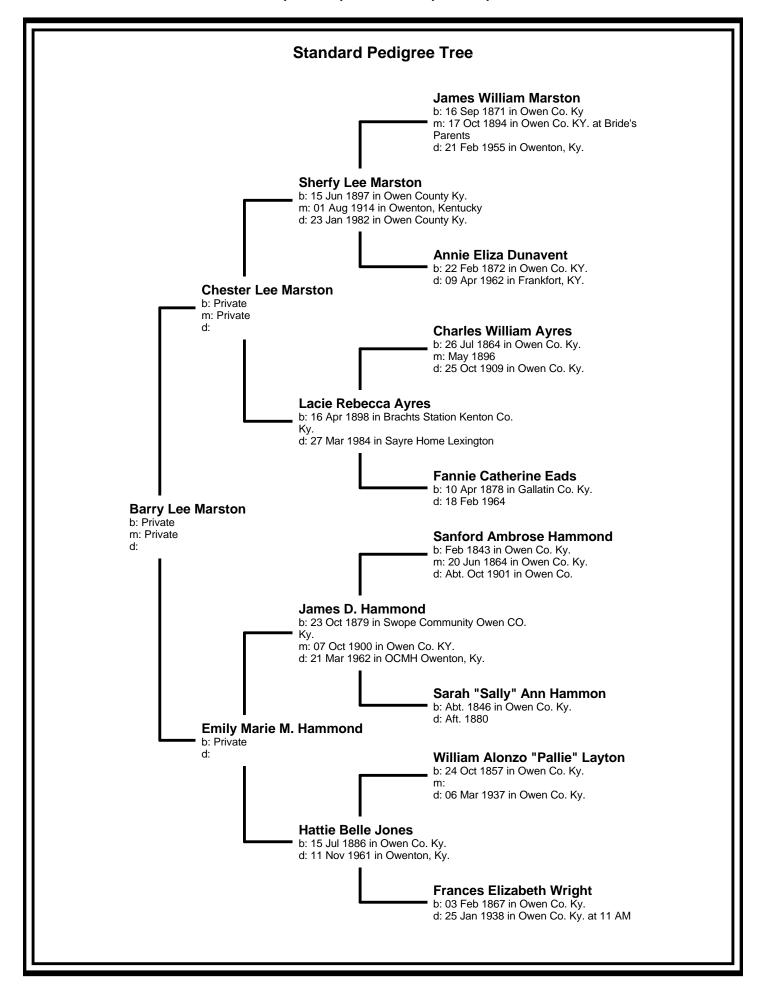
# The First Ayres Families of Kentucky

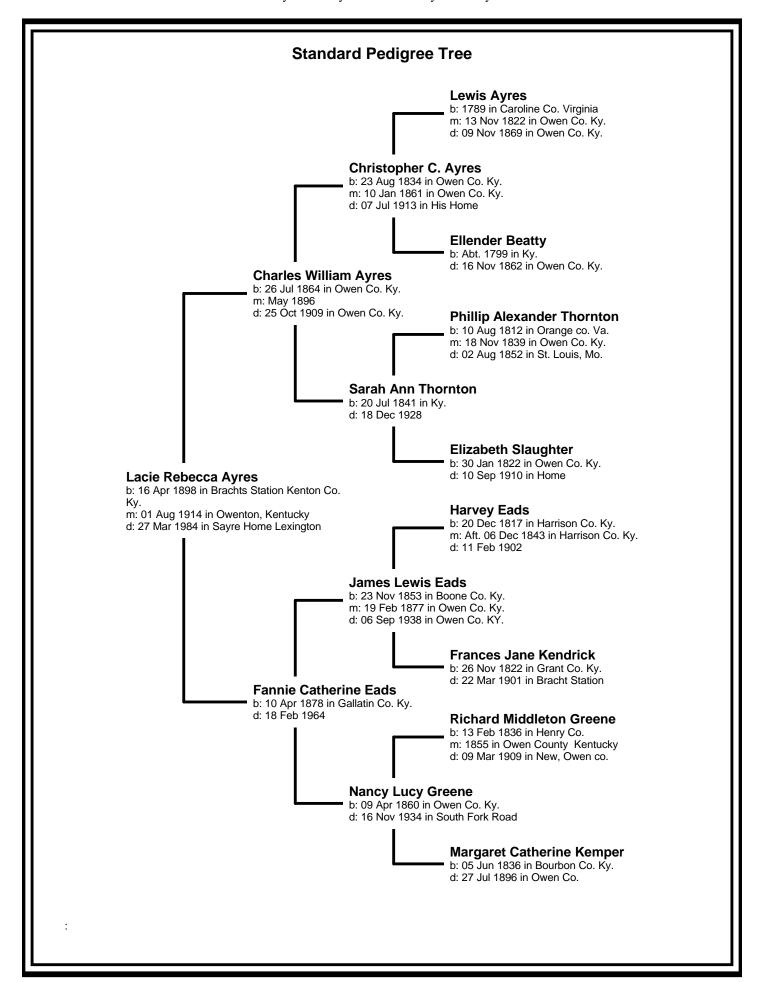
Some believe that the settlement of Kentucky represents a microcosm of the westward movement in United States History. Those who migrated to Kentucky were doubtless influenced to do so by a number of factors and so they came in search of a better life. Just as some were influenced to immigrate to America in a quest for religious freedom so too were many influenced to migrate to Kentucky for greater religious freedom. There's perhaps no greater illustration of this than in the migration of Virginia Baptists to Kentucky. In Virginia ministers of the Baptist faith had been imprisoned for preaching a doctrine contrary to the teaching of the Church of England. One entire Baptist congregation left Virginia in the 1780's and made their way to Kentucky. They have been referred to in history as the "The Traveling Church". Many early Baptist Churches in Kentucky grew out of this Virginia exodus and many early Kentucky leaders were spawned from this movement. Families also migrated for social and economic reasons. Increasing population in the Eastern states and the promise of cheap fertile land in Kentucky combined to form an incentive to migrate to Kentucky. There was an influx of soldiers into Kentucky as they came to claim bounty lands for their military service. In some instances the Virginia laws of inheritance were similar to those in parts of England in which the older sons inherited their father's estates. Just as younger sons had earlier sought their fortune in America so did later some younger sons leave Virginia to seek their fortune in Kentucky. Kentucky came to represent both geographically and socially, the boundary between the old European social order, with its limitations on freedom and restrictions of social mobility, and the wilderness, with all its opportunities for change and a new way of life (R. R. Hogan, Ancestry Magazine V. 18 No. 4).

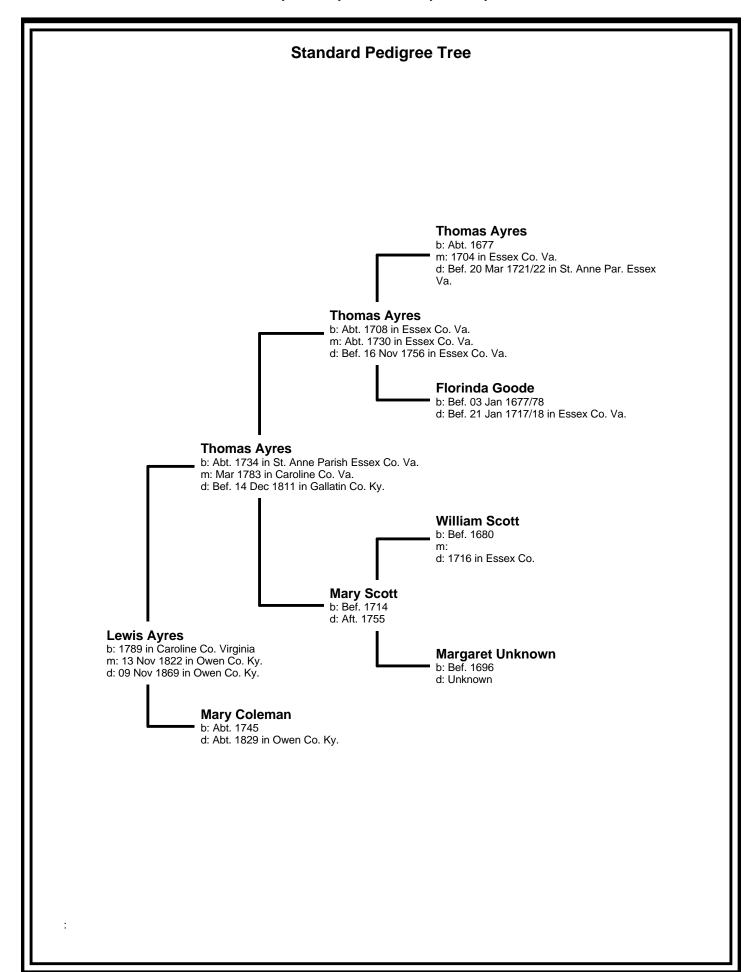
The early settlers generally followed one of two major routes into Kentucky: the northern route along the Ohio River or the southern route through the Wilderness Gap and its many tributary branches into the eastern and central regions of Kentucky. From the end of the Fort Ancient culture in about 1650 until the arrival of the first white settlers, Shawnee tribes from north of the Ohio river and the Cherokee and Chickasaw tribes from south of the Cumberland river fought for control of the "Great Meadow." During this time, no Indian nation held possession of the land that would eventually become Kentucky. The first serious explorations of the Kentucky territory by English colonists had begun by around 1750. 7 June 1769 was when Daniel Boone and John Finley first saw the far distant Bluegrass atop Pilot Knob. The Wilderness Road, blazed by Daniel Boone, was a trail (nothing more than a horse path) rough and difficult to travel from about 1776 until it was widened. During that time more than 200, 000 people made their way into Kentucky and beyond. The improved trail was opened to wagons 15 October 1796. Many of the pioneers migrated to Kentucky via the Ohio River after the Revoutionary War. They traveled overland to Pittsburgh, then down the river on flatboats.

It's not possible to know all the reasons why the Ayres Family (Families) migrated to Kentucky but they must have come for many of the same reasons that influenced all the other pioneers. Further, the study of specific individuals provides good clues to their migratory influences. Samuel Ayres (our line) migrated to Kentucky (while still Virginia) in 1784 from Essex County Virginia. He may have been the first Ayres to settle in Kentucky and he appears on the Fayette Co. Kentucky tax list (B) for 1787 with one horse. He was a silversmith living and working in Lexington Kentucky. Richard Ayres (possibly of our line) was one of the signers of a petition to form a new county of Bourbon (effective 1785) in Kentucky. Kentucky is reported to have had a population of 61,133 by 1790 and in that year Robert Airs was residing in Lincoln Co. and Richard Ayers was residing in Mason Co. In 1795 there was Benjamin, Simon, Stephen, Thomas, Sr., and Thomas Jr. Aires, and Thomas Airs in Fayette

Co. Also in 1795 in Washington Co. there was Mazy and Thomas Ayers and in Mercer Co. Azariah and Joseph Ayres. Information at the Ayres Family Genealogy Forum (Genealogy.com) indicates that Azariah Ayres of Mercer Co. Ky. was probably from New Jersey and in the early 1800's he removed to Gibson Co. Indiana. Thomas Ayres (our line) lived in Campbell Co. Ky. in 1795. In 1796 Thomas Ayres and John Ayres lived in Bourbon Co. By 1800 Kentucky's population had grown to 179,873 and tax lists show the following Kentucky residents: James Ayres, Jr. (probably our line) and Thomas Ayres (our line) in Gallatin Co. and Samuel Ayres (our line) in Lexington. Also appearing for 1800 were: Abner Ayrs (Barren Co.), David Ayres (Warren Co.), John Ayres (Barren Co.), John Ayres (Bourbon Co.), John Ayres (Woodford Co.), Joseph Ayres (Lincoln Co.), Thomas Ayres (Barren Co.), and Azariah Ayrs (Mercer Co.). Ayreses in 1810 were: Daniel (b. 1765-1784) Bourbon Co., and Samuel (b. 1765-1784) in Fayette. In Gallatin there were: Coleman (b. 1765-1784), James (b. 1765-1784), Thomas (b. before 1765), and William (b. 1765-1784). Also in 1810 were John Airs (Shelby Co.), Nathaniel Ayers (Wayne Co.), David Ayres (Warren Co.), Gentry Ayres (Wayne Co.), Henry Ayres (Logan Co.), John Ayres (Logan Co.), Samuel Ayres (Wayne Co.), Thomas Ayres (Bourbon Co.), Walter Ayres (Woodford Co.), and William Ayres (Bourbon Co.). Ayres (1779-1838) of Woodford Co. was the son of Nathan and Mary Leake Ayres (Darnell's Forks of Elkhorn p. 65) (Descendants of Matthias Ayres [929 A 985d KHC]). Walter was born in Buckingham Co. Va. and married Mary Agnes Maxey in 1800 and the next year they came to Woodford County and built the Owsley home on the Lexington-Leestown pike. Nathan Ayres was born in 1752 in Albemarle Co. Va. and was the son of Matthias Ayres who is reported to have been born in 1700 in London, England. There's no indication that our family is related to the Matthias Ayres family nor to the merchandiser L. S. Ayres. LS Ayres and Co. was an Indianapolis based department store founded by Lyman S. Ayres in 1872. Lyman Ayres was born in 1824 in Tioga, New York. Samuel of Fayette and all those in Gallatin probably belong to our line. Record of the above early individuals are mostly taken from tax lists and the 1810 census but the examination of other records would probably indicate the presence of additional persons by the name of Ayres/Ayers. From the records consulted (for the above) the only Ayreses that appear to belong to our line are those of Gallatin Co., Thomas of Campbell, Samuel of Fayette and possibly Richard Ayres of Mason Co. Kentucky.







# Thomas Ayres Will



In the name of God Amen the fifth day of January in the year of our Lord 1721. I Thomas Ayres of the Parish of St. Anne in the County of Essex being- very sick and weak in body but of perfect mind and memory- thanks be given to God therefore taking into mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men to die do make and ordain this my last will and testament. That is to say principally and first of all I give and Recommend my soul in ye hand to of God that gave it and for my body I Recommend it to this earth to be Buried in a Christian Site and decent manner at the Discretion of my Executor (nothing foul bug)? but at the Generall Resurrection I shall revive the same again by the mighty power of God and? ? such worldly estate wherewith it hath pleased God to gift me with in this life I give? and? of the same in the following

manner and form? I give and bequeath unto my well beloved wife Ann whom I likewise constitute make and ordain my whole and sole exx of this my last will and testament thirty pounds current money to be levyed out of my estate and her own feather bed and furniture item I give to my son Thomas my negro man named Roben but in case either of my wife's two negroes that was willed to her by her former husband Thomas Meades should die ? my will is that my wife keep the same aforeto Negro Roben during of her Naturall life (^ and after her ? my son ???) ? I give and bequeath my negro woman named Jude to my daughter Sarah ? the following? Viz the first born live child I give to my son Samuel to be delivered when it is a year old to him and his heirs for ever: the second born live child I give to my child unborn to be delivered when it is a year old to him or her heirs for ever: the third I give to my daughter Ann to be delivered to her when it is a year old: and the fourth born live child I give to my daughter Florendar to be delivered to her at a year old to her and her heirs for ever: and the remainder of her issue I give to my daughter Sarah and to her heirs for ever item I give my negro boy Jame to my son Samuel to him and his heirs for ever item I give and bequeath to my son Thomas my land that I bought of John Hodgson being Exr of Thomas Pathross to him and his heirs for ever item I give and bequeath to my son Samuel my land that I bought of Mathew Collins being and lying on the side of powmens end Swamp to him & his heirs for ever, and after my debts are justly payed I give unto my well beloved wife the third part of my personal estate and the remainder of my estate to be equally divided amougst my children, item I give to my daughter Florendar one gold ring item I give to John Harris my gun that he hath? in possession my will is that my boys live and remain with my beloved wife till they attain to the age of twenty years and then to be for ? but ? to have possession of their estates till they be twenty one years and my girls my will is that they live and remain with my beloved wife till they attain to the age of eighteen years or ? till the day of marriage but in case my wife should marry another husband and my children can prove that they are not well? they then shall have their liberties to go and chose their guardian I ? all and every other former testaments wills ? any wife before named willed and bequeathed ratifying and confirming? and no other to be my last will & testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand seal the day and year above written his

signed sealed published and ? by ? Thomas Ayres as his last will and testament in the presence of ?

Thos. T Ayres (seal) mark

subscriber to
James Jameson
Samuel Sallis
her
Eliza E Gray
mark

At a court held for Essex County on Tuesday the 20th day of March 1721 . ? will was presented in court by Ann Ayres Ex ? in named who made oath ? and being further proved by the oath of the witness hereto ? to record

Test?

WILL BOOK 3 PAGE 291-293 ESSEX COUNTY VIRGINIA

#### THOMAS AYRES WILL

In the name of amen I Thomas Ayres of Essex County being sick and weak in body but of perfect senses and memory thanks be God for the same and do make & I appoint this my last will and testament in manner and form following Item I give unto my daughter Sarah Ayres one Mulato boy named Robin McKuckles to her and her heirs for ever Item I lend unto my beloved wife Mary Ayres all my land during her natural life and after her decease to be equally divided between my two sons -William Ayres and Thomas Ayres and their heirs for ever Item I leave unto my beloved wife Mary Ayres all my moveable estate during her widowhood but in case my wife should marry wish? is that she should have one third part of moveable estates & the rest of my moveable estate to be equally divided amongst my eight youngest children Viz Mary Sarah Margarett Nancy Eliz.a James Dinah & John Item I leave to my wife Mary Ayres my water mill standing in Caroline County and in case their wante? money to pay my debts the said mill is to be sold for cash to the highest bidder to discharge the same & I do hereby constitute ordain and appoint my beloved wife Mary Ayres my whole and sole executrix of this my last will and testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 30th day of Nov 1755.

Signed & Sealed in

presence of

Test

Owen Carter

Daniel Brown

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his
Thomas T. A. Ayres?
Mark & Seal

At a Court held for Essex County at Tappahannock on the 16th day of Nov 1766 This will was presented in court by Mary Ayres the executrix therein named who made oath thereto and the same being also proved by the oaths of all the witnesses thereto thereupon the same is admitted to record and is duly recorded

Test John Lee CC

Know all men by these presents that we Mary Ayres William Ayres and Thomas Ayres are held and firmly bound to Francis Smith Frans Waning Simon Miller and James Webb gent Justices of the court of Essex County now sitting in the sum of five hundred pounds current money to the payment? whereof well and duly to be made to the said Justice and their? we bind ourselves and each of our and each of our heirs Exr and? jointly and severally firm by these presente? our seals this 16th day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand and seven hundred and fifty six and in the 30th year of the reign of our soverign Lord George the second The condition of this obligation is such that if the above bound Mary Ayres executrix of the Last Will and Testament of Thomas Ayres dec.d do make or cause to be made a true and perfect inventory of all and singular the goods chattels and credits of the said decd which ...

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# **Thomas Ayres Will**

Know all men by these presents that I Thomas Ayres of Gallatin County and State of Kentucky being weak in body but of sound mind and memory do make and ordain this as my last will and testament in manner and form following viz It is my will that all my just debts be punctually paid. Then the balance of my estate be divided in the following manner Viz I leave unto my beloved wife Mary Ayres during her life the plantation whereon I now live with all the rest of my estate real or personal and at her death it is my will that all the property that came by first wife, shall return to her children share and share alike- my grandchildren of my son Thomas Ayres decd. considered to come in for a share equally with one one of the others. The balance of my property as it be what land it may I give to my two sons Daniel C. Ayres and Lewis Ayres to be equally divided between them, to them and their heirs for ever.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of November 1811.

Sealed and delivered

his

in the presence of

Thomas X Ayres Seal

John Scott

<u>mark</u>

Sally Jones

At a court began and held for the County of Gallatin on the 13th day of January 1812, the last will and testament of Thomas Ayres decd. was presented in Court and proved by the oath of John Scott one of the Subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be certified? Teste ------ Clk

WILL BOOK A PAGE 204 GALLATIN COUNTY KENTUCKY

# **Lewis Ayres Will**

I Lewis Ayres of the County of Owen and State of Kentucky in the year of our lord One Thousand eight hundred and sixty-six in consideration of this Mortal life and being of sound mind & memory do make this my last will and testament in form as follows to wit:

1st I desire all my just debts & funeral expenses to be paid after which I desire all of my estate after my death to be sold and equally divided between my three sons J. T. Ayres L. S. Ayres & C. C. Ayres with a further consideration that the farm that my son C. C. Ayres now occupies he is to have at the sum of two thousand dollars free from any rents or charges if said amount should be more than an equal portion with my other two sons then my son C C is to pay back to them such amount as may make them all equal with the remainder of my estate- I further desire that William Garvey be appointed my executor after my death of this my last will & testament.

Given under my hand this 20th day of July 1866 attes

Lewis Ayres

William Garvey

John W. Adkins probated February 1870

# Descendants of Thomas Ayres

#### Generation No. 1

**1.** Thomas¹ Ayres was born Abt. 1677¹, and died Bef. 20 Mar 1721/22 in St. Anne Par. Essex Va.². He married (1) Florinda Goode³ 1704 in Essex Co. Va.⁴,⁵, daughter of Richard Goode and Sarah Parker. She was born Bef. 03 Jan 1677/78⁶, and died Bef. 21 Jan 1717/18 in Essex Co. Va.⁴. He married (2) Ann Sallis Bef. 21 Jan 1717/18 in Essex Co. Va.⁶, daughter of Samuel Sallis and Sarah Catlett. She was born Bef. 1698, and died Unknown.

More About Thomas Ayres:

Fact 1: 29 Jan 1716/17, He married Ann after this date

Fact 2: not clear on which wife is mother for all

#### Notes for Florinda Goode:

Florinda Goode was the daughter of Richard Goode (died 1719) and Sarah Parker. She was born by 3 January 1677 when Thomas Parker gave her a heifer. Thomas was the brother of Sarah Goode, wife of Richard Goode as shown by a power of attorney 3 November 1674 and recorded in (Old) Rappahannock Co. Virginia. Records of Richard Goode from 1666-1674 show that he owned land on Occupacia Creek, its branches, and bordering Coghill's line. The LDS Web Site states that Florinda was born about 1668 in St. Minver Cornwall, England and that her father was the 4th in a line of Richard Goodes. However Richard had immigrated to Virginia by 1655, and therefore it appears that Florinda was born in America and not in England. It's not known what sources establish a Cornwall lineage for Florinda but the use of the name, Richard Goode in Cornwall gives some credence to the notion. The LDS further purports to trace the Goodes back to a Richard Goode who was born about 1312 and lived in Whitstone Cornwall, England. It's been said of Cornwall which is in lower southwest England that it's a county rich in legend but poor in history. For hundreds of years while the rest of Britain was being civilized, Cornwall remained isolated, a country with its own language and customs.

More About Florinda Goode: Source to Mother: 1674<sup>9</sup>

Source to Father: 1677, See Birth Source

Marriage Notes for Thomas Ayres and Florinda Goode:

Married between dates of 10 June 1704 (bond) and 10 March 1704/5 (additional inventory).

More About Thomas Ayres and Florinda Goode:

Marriage: 1704, Essex Co. Va. 10,11

More About Ann Sallis:

Source to Parents: Wermeyer<sup>12</sup>

More About Thomas Ayres and Ann Sallis: Marriage: Bef. 21 Jan 1717/18, Essex Co. Va. <sup>13</sup>

#### Children of Thomas Ayres and Florinda Goode are:

- + 2 i. Thomas<sup>2</sup> Ayres, born Abt. 1708 in Essex Co. Va.; died Bef. 16 Nov 1756 in Essex Co. Va..
  - 3 ii. Florinda Ayres, died Unknown.

## Children of Thomas Ayres and Ann Sallis are:

- i. Ann<sup>2</sup> Ayres, died Unknown.
- 5 ii. Samuel Ayres, born Bef. 1721; died 1784 in Amherst Co. Va.. He married Rachel Abt. 1774; died Unknown.

#### Notes for Samuel Ayres:

Information found on line makes reference to Stuart vs. Duncan- O. S. 192. Among its items it refers to the will of Samuel Ayres of Amherst (1784) in which he devises 30 shillings to William Ayres, son of Thomas Ayres, deceased, and Mary his wife of Essex County. The purpose was to keep William from being an heir to Samuel. It appears that Samuel had no surviving children when he made his will and that his estate or a significant portion thereof would revert to his family unless there was some provision barring it. Thomas was Samuel's brother (probably oldest brother that was an Ayres). Since Thomas was deceased the heir would be Thomas son William who must have been the oldest son.

More About Samuel Ayres and Rachel:

Marriage: Abt. 1774

- 6 iii. Sarah Ayres, born Bef. 1721; died Unknown.
- 7 iv. Unk Ayres, born Abt. 1721; died Unknown.

#### Generation No. 2

**2.** Thomas<sup>2</sup> Ayres (Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born Abt. 1708 in Essex Co. Va. <sup>14,15</sup>, and died Bef. 16 Nov 1756 in Essex Co. Va. <sup>16</sup>. He married Mary Scott <sup>17,18</sup> Abt. 1730 in Essex Co. Va., daughter of William Scott and Margaret Unknown. She was born Bef. 1714, and died Aft. 1755.

### Notes for Thomas Ayres:

There could be the interpretation that there was another Thomas Ayres (possibly) in Essex besides Thomas, his father and his son. John Hodson was the administrator (18 June 1734) of the goods etc. of Thomas Ayres deceased (Essex Co. Wills). John Hodson et al were to make a perfect inventory. If it later appeared that any last will and testament was made by Thomas Ayres then this obligation to be void. Thomas' father died in 1721 and his will is recorded on page 291 Will Book 3. The index gives: "Ayres inventory & appraisement" page 302 but it is missing from the will book. An additional inventory was made pursuant to the order of 20 March 1721/2 and was dated 21 June 1726. It may be that the 1734 inventory was made of the estate of Thomas Ayres who died in 1721. Possibly they couldn't locate the estate record for some reason. No other records indicating another Essex Co. Thomas Ayres have been found and it is thought that the 1734 inventory related to Thomas I, who died in 1721.

Furthermore this Thomas Ayres whose wife was Mary is the same Thomas Ayres mentioned in the will of Thomas who died in 1721. In 1735 (after 1734 inventory) Thomas & Mary sell the farm that he inherited from his father (Mary name source no. 2). This deed refers to the deed of 1716 from John Hodgson. 1716 was the date that John Hodgson sold this 62 acres to Thomas Ayres, the father. Thomas, the father in his will left the land he bought from John Hodgson to his son Thomas.

More About Thomas Ayres: Occupation: 1750, Blacksmith

Source to Mother: Bet. 1704 - 1706<sup>19</sup>

Source to Father: 1721, See Death Source for his father

More About Mary Scott:

Source to Father: 1750, See Source for name $+^{20}$ 

More About Thomas Ayres and Mary Scott:

Marriage: Abt. 1730, Essex Co. Va.

#### Children of Thomas Ayres and Mary Scott are:

- + 8 i. William<sup>3</sup> Ayres, born Abt. 1731 in St. Anne's Parish Essex Co. Va.; died Bef. 20 Feb 1792 in Essex Co. Va.
- + 9 ii. Thomas Ayres, born Abt. 1734 in St. Anne Parish Essex Co. Va.; died Bef. 14 Dec 1811 in Gallatin Co. Ky..
  - 10 iii. Dinah Ayres, born Bef. 1755 in Va.; died Unknown.
  - iv. Elizabeth Ayres, born Bef. 1755 in Va.; died Unknown.

#### Notes for Elizabeth Ayres:

She "may" have been the Elizabeth that was married to William Tinsley of Caroline Co. Va. In a letter from Samuel Ayres to his father in 1791 he makes mention of his uncle William Tinsley. Regarding a chancery suit in Caroline Co. Va., William Tinsley gave bond for Thomas Ayres in 1794. William Tinsley died in 1810 and by 1812 his widow, Elizabeth had married John Loy.

v. James Ayres, born Bef. 1755 in Va.; died Unknown.

#### Notes for James Ayres:

A younger James Ayres was in Kentucky-possibly his son or maybe nephew. In a 1786 letter from Samuel Ayres to his father, he mentions his cousin (Ritchie] Richard Ayres. This Richard may be the son of James or son of John. One Richard Ayres, later in Mason Co. Ky. had a son born 1773-1776 and so this Richard must have been born before 1750.

vi. John Ayres, born Bef. 1755 in Va.; died Unknown.

#### Notes for John Ayres:

He may be the John Ayres that was living in Caroline Co. Virginia in 1810. This John was born before 1765 and probably had 6 children.

- vii. Margaret Ayres, born Bef. 1755 in Va.; died Unknown.
- viii. Mary Ayres, born Bef. 1755 in Va.; died Unknown.
- ix. Nancy Ayres, born Bef. 1755 in Va.; died Unknown.
- 17 x. Sarah Ayres, born Bef. 1755 in Va.; died Unknown.

#### Generation No. 3

**8.** William<sup>3</sup> Ayres (Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born Abt. 1731 in St. Anne's Parish Essex Co. Va.<sup>21,22</sup>, and died Bef. 20 Feb 1792 in Essex Co. Va.<sup>23</sup>. He married (1) Rosanah Unknown. She was born Bet. 1764 - 1776, and died Aft. 1810. He married (2) Thorpe, daughter of Thomas Thorpe and Sarah Triplett. She died Unknown.

#### Notes for William Ayres:

In his will it was his desire that his half-acre of land in Leads Town, Westmoreland County be sold.

#### Notes for Rosanah Unknown:

Rosannah may be the mother of some of William's children.

# Notes for Thorpe:

The 1810 Virginia census listing (page 161 Essex) for Rosanne Ayres has both one male (son or stepson) and one female (Roseanne) b. 1765-1784. Roseanne could not be the mother of Samuel Ayres (born 1766) and it's not known if she was the mother of any of William Ayreses children. Samuel had a daughter named Martha Thorpe Ayres and the name Thorpe is likely a clue to her genealogical background. Thomas Thorpe of Essex Co. Va. left a will dated 16 February 1768 (proved 15 Aug 1768). In it he names wife Sarah and my sons (presumed to include also sons-inlaw) Thomas Thorpe, Robert Elliston, and William Ayres as executors. He names only the daughters Frances (youngest) and Ann. With some exceptions Thomas leaves his estate to be equally divided amongst his children and Lucy Plunkett his granddaughter. In a disbursement of his estate Mary and Ann Thorpe receive for their proportion 7.7.5. (pounds.shillings.pence). Robert Elliston receives for Selah (Celia) and Frances their proportions also 7.7.5. William Plunkett receives for his daughter Lucy's proportion 3.13.8 (half of 7.7.5). Additionally William Gaines, William Ayres and Robert Elliston each received 3.13.8 for their proportion [my interpretation: each were married to a daughter of Thomas Thorpe that was unnamed in the will ]. There is on-line information that a daughter of Thomas Thorpe namely Elizabeth married Robert Elliston and that they died in Woodford Co. Ky. In a letter of 12 December 1786 from Samuel Ayres of Lexington Ky. to his father, William Ayres Essex Co. Port Royal Virginia, Samuel states that he received his father's letter by the hand of Uncle Ellison. [in that day an aunt or uncle was often referred to by their surname]. [this is consistent with Robert Elliston being married to Samuel's mother's sister]. Robert Elliston was in Woodford Co. Ky. by 1791 and died there in 1809 leaving several children and wife Betty. The given name is unknown for the wife of William Ayres and the mother of Samuel Ayres.

#### Children of William Ayres and Thorpe are:

- i. Mary Scott<sup>4</sup> Ayres, died Unknown.
- ii. Leven Ayres, died 1817.

#### Notes for Leven Ayres:

A Levin Ayres son of Jacob was a descendant of John Ayres, mariner of Rappahannock.

- 20 iii. Burtinhead Ayres, died 30 Dec 1804.
- + 21 iv. Samuel Ayres, born 1766 in Essex Co. Va.; died 16 Oct 1824 in Danville, Ky...
- **9.** Thomas<sup>3</sup> Ayres (Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born Abt. 1734 in St. Anne Parish Essex Co. Va.<sup>24,25</sup>, and died Bef. 14 Dec 1811 in Gallatin Co. Ky.<sup>26,27</sup>. He married (1) **Zerviah Noel**<sup>28</sup> Abt. 1764 in Essex Co. Va., daughter of Bernard Noel and Sarah Scott. She was born Abt. 1744 in Essex Co., and died Bef. 1783. He married (2) **Mary Coleman**<sup>29</sup> Mar 1783 in Caroline Co. Va.<sup>30</sup>. She was born Abt. 1745, and died Abt. 1829 in Owen Co. Ky.<sup>31</sup>.

#### More About Thomas Ayres:

Fact 1: Res Essex and then Caroline Cos. Va.<sup>32</sup>

Fact 2: French & Indian War<sup>33</sup>

MILITARY: 2nd Lieutenant Essex Co. (reference 1781), N. J. Ayres L 178 Source to Mother: Bet. 1735 - 1750, See Source for Mary Scott's name

Source to Father: 1755<sup>34</sup>

More About Thomas Ayres and Zerviah Noel:

Marriage: Abt. 1764, Essex Co. Va.

# Notes for Mary Coleman:

Mary Ayres has been reported to be a Coleman in Roster of Revolutionary Ancestors under Benjamin Sneed. That her maiden name was Coleman is strongly suggested by the names of two of her sons-Samuel Coleman Sneed and Daniel Coleman Ayres. There were Colemans living in Caroline County including both a Daniel and a Samuel Coleman. Either a Samuel or a Daniel Coleman would seem to be a likely candidate for Mary's father but nothing has been found to confirm it. There were also those of the surname Daniel. One secondary source gives her name as Mary Elizabeth Coleman but there's been no original records found confirming that.

The likely progenitor of most Virginia Colemans was Robert Coleman of Mobjack Bay who settled in Gloucester Co. Virginia in 1638. One Robert Coleman came here with Sir Walter Raleigh's expedition in 1597, only to drown off the Carolina Coast. Daniel Coleman, son of Robert of Mobjack owned land in King William and King and Queen Counties. He died before 7 June 1722, the date his son Daniel presented an affidavit stating that his land had been divided. The part of King William his son lived in became Caroline in 1728 and in 1745 he moved to a part of Goochland that became Cumberland Co. in 1742. One Samuel Coleman, son of Robert and Mary Clayton Coleman was born in 1704 and died in 1748 in Caroline Co. Robert lived in King and Queen and was the son of Robert Coleman, son of Robert of Mobjack. Elizabeth Coleman, daughter of Robert and Mary Clayton Coleman married Capt. William Daniel.

Benjamin Sneed, first husband of Mary Ayres, was a constable for the district about Daniel's Mill. This area was cut off from King and Queen Co. and added to Caroline Co. Benjamin ran the tavern 1774-1781 at Daniel's Mill (Sneed Family stand). Daniel's Mill was mid-eastern Caroline Co. near the Essex line and South of Portabago Run and Fort A. P. Hill Reservation. With the Sneed and Coleman families apparently situated in the same general area of Caroline it suggests that Mary could have been a part of this Coleman Family as she must have been in this area to have met Benjamin Sneed. Mary Ayres appears on the Owen Co. Ky. tax list as late as 1829 [next to Lewis]. An older female appears in the census listing of Lewis Ayres in 1820 before he was married, which was probably Mary. Neither the 1830 listing for Lewis or Daniel gives such a female so Mary may have died about 1829

More About Mary Coleman:

Fact 1: spouses:Ky. Ct. appeal book o p.206

More About Thomas Ayres and Mary Coleman:

Marriage: Mar 1783, Caroline Co. Va.35

Child of Thomas Ayres and Zerviah Noel is:

i. Thomas<sup>4</sup> Ayres, born Abt. 1767 in Va.; died Bef. 1811.

Children of Thomas Ayres and Mary Coleman are:

+ 23 i. Daniel Coleman<sup>4</sup> Ayres, born 01 Sep 1784 in Caroline Co. Va.; died 19 Oct 1873 in Owen Co. Ky..

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ii. Lewis Ayres, born 1789 in Caroline Co. Virginia; died 09 Nov 1869 in Owen Co. Ky..

#### Generation No. 4

**21.** Samuel<sup>4</sup> Ayres (William<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 1766 in Essex Co. Va., and died 16 Oct 1824 in Danville, Ky.. He married **Dorothea Graham Jameson** 03 Oct 1792 in Lexington Ky., daughter of Thomas Jameson and Mary Robinson. She was born 27 Jul 1768 in Yorktown, Va., and died 18 Apr 1848 in Danville KY.

## Notes for Samuel Ayres:

Ronnie Tackett has located some pieces of Ayres silver.

More About Samuel Ayres:

Burial: Unknown, Danville KY Cemetery

Misc.: Photo Album page 19

Occupation: 1786, Silversmith in Lexington Ky.<sup>36</sup>

Residence: May 1823, Moved from Lexington to Danville

Source of Descendants: Jameson Family<sup>37</sup>

#### Notes for Dorothea Graham Jameson:

Dolly Graham Jameson of Caroline, Virginia wrote 23 May 1787 a letter to her Grandmamma, Edith Tyler Robinson in Warcop, Yorkshire England. Dolly states that she did not get her letter of 23 May 1786 until 27 April 1787. Her grandmother had sent her a trunk of clothes and other things. There was a green silk gown, apron, and trinkets. She mentions a locket that she sent to her some years prior with some of her papa's and mamma's hair in it. Dolly's grandmother had sent also a stone ring and books.

More About Samuel Ayres and Dorothea Jameson:

Marriage: 03 Oct 1792, Lexington Ky.

#### Children of Samuel Ayres and Dorothea Jameson are:

- 25 i. Rebecca<sup>5</sup> Ayres, born 10 Nov 1793; died Bet. 18 Jul 1794 1795.
- ii. David Jameson Ayres, born 20 Jan 1795; died Unknown. He married (1) Maria Garnett; died Unknown. He married (2) Susan Elizabeth Adams 20 Oct 1842 in Fayette Co. Ky.; died Unknown.

#### Notes for David Jameson Ayres:

"Liberty Hall" (Old Homes of Essex Co.) was located one mile from Indian Neck on Route 623. It was built by Abraham Montague and sold in 1778 to Reuben Garnett. A new addition was built for his daughter who returned from Kentucky with her husband, Dr. David Jameson Ayres. She planted the great hackberry trees that surround the place.

One of the historic houses in Danville, Kentucky is the Ayres House [12] at 425 W. Broadway. It was built prior to 1837 for Dr. David J. Ayres.

More About David Jameson Ayres:

Education: 1817, Was in Medical School at Transylvania

Occupation: Physician

More About Susan Elizabeth Adams:

Residence: Boston, Mass.

More About David Ayres and Susan Adams: Marriage: 20 Oct 1842, Fayette Co. Ky.

- 27 iii. Mahala Ayres, born 22 Sep 1796; died 29 Dec 1804 in Lexington, Ky.
- iv. Martha Thorpe Ayres, born 14 May 1799; died 26 May 1882. She married John Carpenter Yeiser 12 Dec 1847; died Unknown.

More About Martha Thorpe Ayres: Residence: 1870, Danville, Ky.

More About John Yeiser and Martha Ayres:

Marriage: 12 Dec 1847

- v. Mary Ayres, born 14 Dec 1801; died 1803.
- vi. Melinda Ayres, born 17 Dec 1803; died Unknown. She married Edward R. Hollingsworth 28 Mar 1832; died Unknown.

More About Melinda Ayres:

Residence: 1870, Danville, Ky with her sister Martha

More About Edward Hollingsworth and Melinda Ayres:

Marriage: 28 Mar 1832

- + 31 vii. Thomas Robinson Jameson Ayres, born 28 Nov 1805 in Lexington, Ky; died Unknown.
  - viii. William Burton Ayres, born 12 Jan 1808; died 1808.
- + 33 ix. Samuel Ayres, born 10 Jun 1809; died Aft. 1877.
- + 34 x. Dorothy Apphia Jameson Ayres, born 23 Aug 1811; died Unknown.
- **22.** Thomas<sup>4</sup> Ayres (Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born Abt. 1767 in Va., and died Bef. 1811. He married Mary Noel 06 Jan 1789 in Caroline County, Virginia. She died Unknown.

More About Thomas Ayres and Mary Noel:

Marriage: 06 Jan 1789, Caroline County, Virginia

Children of Thomas Ayres and Mary Noel are:

- i. Martha<sup>5</sup> Ayres, died Unknown.
- + 36 ii. Ritchie Ayres, born 1789 in Virginia; died 04 Aug 1874 in Pike Co. Mo.
- + 37 iii. Dinah Ayres, born Bef. 1795 in Virginia; died Bet. 1820 1830.
- **23. Daniel Coleman<sup>4</sup> Ayres** (Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>)<sup>38</sup> was born 01 Sep 1784 in Caroline Co. Va.<sup>39,40</sup>, and died 19 Oct 1873 in Owen Co. Ky.<sup>41</sup>. He married (**1**) **Susannah Sale** 21 Sep 1805 in Gallatin at John Elliston's, daughter of Robert Sale. She was born Dec 1784 in Caroline Co. Va.<sup>42</sup>, and died 01 Jun 1819 in Gallatin (Owen) Co. Ky.<sup>43</sup>. He married (**2**) **Susannah Garnett** 03 Jan 1821 in Gallatin, daughter of John Garnett and Nancy Colquitt. She was born Bet. 1780 1790 in Va., and died Bef. 1839. He married (**3**) **Malinda Wilhoite** 20 Jan 1839 in Owen Co. Ky. at Sandford Wilhoite's near Monterey, daughter of Achilles Wilhoite and Mary Hall. She was born Abt. 1799<sup>44</sup>, and died 01 Apr 1885<sup>44</sup>.

Notes for Daniel Coleman Ayres:

Daniel Coleman Ayres was born in Caroline County Virginia. His date of birth is given in the Family Bible of William S. Ayres as "Daniel C. Ayres was borned in Carrelina County Va the first

day of Sept 1784". Three ages given in his pension papers [Bounty land 74675-40-50;95497-120-55] show a consistent range of 1782-1784. It was quite fortunate that a Bible record for him surfaced. His mother was Mary Coleman (?) Sneed. He came to Kentucky with his family as a boy [most likely down the Ohio River] about 1793. He owned land in Owen County on Mosby Creek and Brush Creek. In May 1827 Poplar Grove Baptist Church was constituted in the vicinity of Daniel C. Ayres. Daniel first married Susan Sale in 1805, daughter of Robert Sale who died about 1814. Possibly this was the same family as Ann Sallis, wife of Daniel's ancestor Thomas Ayres. By 1810 he was farming 100 acres on Eagle Creek watershed in Gallatin County. In 1826 Daniel bought 204 acres on Brush Creek from William & Mary Scandrett. This farm bordered a farm belonging to his brother Lewis which was also bought from the Scandretts. After the death of his first wife, Daniel married a second Susannah. She was a Garnett and the widow of David Maddox. Determing his date of death has been elusive until finding it in pension papers. It was a surprise to find that he lived until 1873 when he died at the age of 89 [particularly since he wasn't found in the 1860 or 1870 censuses]. In searching Owen County deeds, a reference was found regarding a power of attorney from Melinda Ayres to S. C. Wilhoite about a pension claim [book Z p. 521, 1878]. I sent for and did receive a pension file for Daniel Ayres which contained among other things his date of death.

Daniel was a 1st Lieutenant in the War of 1812. He also appears with the rank of Quarter Master under Col. William Mountjoy mustered at Newport Ky. 31 August 1813. He obtained bounty land for his service. There may have been some confusion about his name but this was cleared up in a statement made by John McGibney and Lewis Ayres (brother). They were intimately acquainted with Daniel C. Ayres, alias Daniel Coleman Ayres, alias Coleman Ayres and knew him to be the identical man who served as 1st Lieutenant in the company commanded by Capt. John H. Morris 4th Regt. Ky Mounted Volunteers (Governor Shelby's regiment) in the war of 1812. He was always known as Coleman Ayres and that his proper name is Daniel Coleman Ayres. They had received land warrants for similar service. Daniel, whose address in 1873 was New Liberty stated that in his younger days he was generally called Coleman. Malinda Wilhoite Hopper Ayres (3rd wife) described her husband in his younger days as six feet tall, spare build, black hair, and gray eyes. Daniel enlisted 28 August 1813 at Port William (Carrollton) in Gallatin Co. Ky. He was at Detroit but not in battle. He was discharged 10 November 1813 at Maysville Ky.

In a declaration for pension made by Daniel on the 12 th of June 1871 he stated that he lived at J. N. Wilhoite's and that his post office was New Liberty. In an affidavit sworn to on 26th of March 1879 by J. H. Wilhoite (possible grandson) of Henry Co. age 32, he stated that he was present when Daniel died. He also stated that he assisted in dressing and burying Daniel. The 3rd wife, Malinda survived beyond 1880 but that census record for her has not been located either.

More About Daniel Coleman Ayres:

MILITARY: War of 1812

#### Notes for Susannah Sale:

Today a solitary tombstone stands in the yard of the Poplar Grove Baptist Church. On the surface it would appear that the stone is that of an early member. However, the complete story, which is unknown, may be more complicated. This stone is that of Susannah Sale Ayres who died before the church was constituted. [Which came first-the tombstone or the original church building?] Minutes of the church state that in May 1827 the Poplar Grove Baptist Church was constituted in the vicinity of Daniel C. Ayres. The exact location of that first church is unknown. By this time Daniel's first wife had died (in 1819) [Susannah Sale, daughter of Robert Sale who died

about 1814] and her marble tombstone with matching footstone is in the churchyard of the present Poplar Grove Baptist. It has been suggested that this type of stone was not available here until the late 1840's [usually sandstone in 1819] and that this stone may be more recent than 1819. The date of 1819 and Susannah's age of 35 is consistent for Daniel's first wife whose birth is recorded in a family Bible as December 1784. The stones may have been placed there years later.

More About Susannah Sale:

Burial: 1819, Poplar Grove Baptist Church yard [38/39/40N;84/50/13W]

Source to Father: 1805, Her marriage record

Marriage Notes for Daniel Ayres and Susannah Sale:

The 1810 and 1820 censuses indicate that there were 5 sons and no daughters from this marriage.

More About Daniel Ayres and Susannah Sale:

Marriage: 21 Sep 1805, Gallatin at John Elliston's

More About Susannah Garnett:

Source to Parents: 1823, Owen Co. Ky. Deed Book A p 494

Marriage Notes for Daniel Ayres and Susannah Garnett:

The 1830 and 1840 censuses indicate that there was one son and three daughters born to this marriage.

More About Daniel Ayres and Susannah Garnett:

Marriage: 03 Jan 1821, Gallatin

Notes for Malinda Wilhoite:

Achilles & Mary were believed to be Malinda'a parents but it is not proven (in the book). They lived in Jefferson Co. Indiana 1820-26 & later Fountain Co. IN. Malinda married first in 1819 William Hopper in Jefferson Co. IN. After his death she moved to the Monterey area of Owen Co. Her 2nd marriage to Daniel Ayres was performed by Joshua Wilhoite, Achilles' brother.

More About Malinda Wilhoite:

Residence: 1878, Henry Co. Ky.

Source to Parents: John Wilhoite & His Descendants by Earl & Leona Wilhoite (Ky. Hist. Center)

Marriage Notes for Daniel Ayres and Malinda Wilhoite:

The only child known to be of this union is Samuel.

More About Daniel Ayres and Malinda Wilhoite:

Marriage: 20 Jan 1839, Owen Co. Ky. at Sandford Wilhoite's near Monterey

Children of Daniel Ayres and Susannah Sale are:

- + 38 i. Robert Sale<sup>5</sup> Ayres, born 08 Oct 1806; died Aft. 1870.
- + 39 ii. Thomas S. Ayres, born 22 May 1808; died 06 Apr 1857.
- + 40 iii. Sandford B. Ayres, born 29 Jul 1811 in Kentucky; died 27 Aug 1875 in Sangamon Co. Illinois.
- + 41 iv. James L. Ayres, born 13 Sep 1814; died Unknown.
- + 42 v. William S. Ayres, born 12 Jul 1817 in KY; died 30 Nov 1897 in KS.

# Children of Daniel Ayres and Susannah Garnett are:

- i. Unknown<sup>5</sup> Ayres, born Bet. 1820 1825; died Unknown.
- + 44 ii. Daniel Coleman Ayres, born Abt. 1825 in Owen Co. Ky.; died Aft. 1900.
- + 45 iii. Susan J. Ayres, born Aft. 1827; died Unknown.
- + 46 iv. Telitha J. Ayres, born Abt. 1828 in Kentucky; died Aft. 1883.

# Child of Daniel Ayres and Malinda Wilhoite is:

+ 47 i. Samuel M.<sup>5</sup> Ayres, born Abt. 1841; died Abt. 1863.

**24.** Lewis<sup>4</sup> Ayres (Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 1789 in Caroline Co. Virginia<sup>45,46,47,48,49</sup>, and died 09 Nov 1869 in Owen Co. Ky.<sup>50</sup>. He married **Ellender Beatty** 13 Nov 1822 in Owen Co. Ky.<sup>51</sup>, daughter of James Beatty and Molly Beatty. She was born Abt. 1799 in Ky.<sup>52</sup>, and died 16 Nov 1862 in Owen Co. Ky.<sup>53</sup>.

# Notes for Lewis Ayres:

A Tibby Ayres age 6 F died of Scarlet Fever -1870 mortality schedule-same household as Lewis.

# More About Lewis Ayres:

Burial: 1869, Poplar Grove on Family Farm<sup>54</sup>

Cause of Death: Inflammation of lungs

Military service: 28 Aug 1813, 2nd Serg. John H. Morris Co. KY Mounted Vol. Militia War 1812

Residence: 1869, Mortality Schedule -With son Samuel

Source to Mother: See Mary Coleman "Name", "Marriage", Source to Father,

Source to Father: 23 Nov 1811, See Thomas Ayres "Death"

### Notes for Ellender Beatty:

Ellender Beatty was the daughter of James Beatty who died about 1825 in Owen Co. James Beatty was probably the same James listed on the Scott Co. tax list in 1800 with two horses and 50 acres on McConnel next to William Beatty 50 acres and another William with 200 acres. Also that year but on another list was another James Beatty with 600 acres. In 1817 James and Mary Beatty of Gallatin Co. Ky. sold their land in Scott to Hicks. In the 1810 census James was living in Scott Co. By 1816 James Beatty was in Gallatin (Owen) Co. with 150 acres. In 1821 James Beatty gave his son William W. Beatty 50 acres of land adjoining the land of the widow Ayres. Ellender's mother was Molly Beatty, who was an older daughter of William Beatty of Scott Co. (died 1803). A William Beatty filed for a Pension for service in the Revolutionary War 19 November 1832 in Scott Co. Ky. He was born in Sussex Co. New Jersey 20 October 1762. Before the war he lived in Loudon Co. Va. Beatty's Mill was located on Lytle's Fork in Scott County. It was a saw and grist mill that was built by George Beatty (probably Molly's brother) in 1812. A John Beatty was the sheriff of Ulster Co. New York in 1691. The Beattys are said to have come from County Down in Ireland..

### More About Ellender Beatty:

Burial: Unknown, Poplar Grove on Family Farm

Source to Mother: Bet. 1800 - 1817<sup>55,56</sup>

Source to Father: 1821<sup>57,58</sup>

More About Lewis Ayres and Ellender Beatty:

Marriage: 13 Nov 1822, Owen Co. Ky.<sup>59</sup>

# Children of Lewis Ayres and Ellender Beatty are:

- + 48 i. James Thomas<sup>5</sup> Ayres, born 09 Jan 1828 in Owen Co. Ky.; died 18 Dec 1910.
- + 49 ii. Lewis Samuel Ayres, born 20 Aug 1832 in Owen Co. Ky.; died 22 May 1916 in (near) Holbrook Owen Co. Ky. at 4 A. M..
- + 50 iii. Christopher Columbus Sanford Bradford Ayres, born 23 Aug 1834 in Owen Co. Ky.; died 07 Jul 1913 in His Home.
  - 51 iv. John F. Ayres, born Abt. 1838; died Abt. 1863.

#### Notes for John F. Ayres:

John is listed in the household of Lewis Ayres in 1850 and 1860 and is presumed to be another son of Lewis and Ellender. John first shows up as expected on the 1860 Owen Co. tax list next to Columbus Ayres. He appears only through 1862. No information about him has been handed down. Apparently he predeceased his father as he is not mentioned in the will of Lewis Ayres. Given the time period maybe John was killed in the Civil War.

#### Generation No. 5

**31.** Thomas Robinson Jameson<sup>5</sup> Ayres (Samuel<sup>4</sup>, William<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 28 Nov 1805 in Lexington, Ky, and died Unknown. He married **Sarah Ann Smith** 17 Mar 1840 in Mercer Co. Ky.. She was born Abt. 1820 in Pa./Ohio, and died Unknown.

Notes for Thomas Robinson Jameson Ayres:

He carried on the family business. He shared a building with his brother Samuel, a dentist. An Ayres silversmith shop is one of the historic attractions in Danville. They have the building incorrectly labeled as Ayers.

More About Thomas Robinson Jameson Ayres:

Occupation: Silversmith in Danville Ky.

Residence: Aft. 1861, Keokuk, Iowa

More About Thomas Ayres and Sarah Smith:

Marriage: 17 Mar 1840, Mercer Co. Ky.

### Children of Thomas Ayres and Sarah Smith are:

- i. Eliza D.<sup>6</sup> Ayres, born Abt. 1841; died Unknown.
- ii. Nathaniel S. Ayres, born Abt. 1843; died Unknown.

More About Nathaniel S. Ayres:

Occupation: 1880, Makes Picture frames

54 iii. David Jameson Ayres, born Abt. 1845; died Unknown.

#### Notes for David Jameson Ayres:

In an 1892 letter David wrote that he had an Episcopal prayer-book, given to him by his uncle, David Jameson Ayres. He also reported that they had a book in his family in which was written "Maria Garnett, Liberty Hall, Essex county Va. Presented to Maria Garnett by her brother John J. Garnett, 2d June 1811".

More About David Jameson Ayres:

Misc.: Democratic delegate to the Chicago convention.

Occupation: 1880, Jeweler Residence: 1892, Keokuk, Iowa

iv. Thomas R. Ayres, born Abt. 1847 in Ky; died Aft. 1910.

More About Thomas R. Ayres:

Occupation: 1880, Jeweler

Residence: 1910, 303 N. 5th St. Keokuk, Iowa

v. Henrietta Sophia Ayres, born 1849; died Aft. 1910.

More About Henrietta Sophia Ayres: Residence: 1910, With brother Thomas

vi. Samuel Ayres, born Abt. 1853 in Ky; died Unknown.

More About Samuel Ayres: Occupation: 1880, Physician

- vii. Dorothea G. Ayres, born Abt. 1856; died Unknown.
- 59 viii. Joseph James Ayres, born 1859 in Mo; died Aft. 1920. He married Helen Allen Abt. 1897; born Abt. 1868; died Unknown.

More About Joseph James Ayres:

Occupation: 1880, Watch Repairer;1910 Wholesale Merchant Jewelry

Residence: 1910, Jackson Township Keokuk, Lee Co. Iowa

More About Joseph Ayres and Helen Allen:

Marriage: Abt. 1897

**33.** Samuel<sup>5</sup> Ayres (Samuel<sup>4</sup>, William<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 10 Jun 1809, and died Aft. 1877. He married **Elsey Malone** 23 Jan 1821. She died Unknown.

# Notes for Samuel Ayres:

He was a dentist in Danville Ky. Dr. Samuel Ayres and his slave Malcolm were charter members of the Disciples of Christ Church in Danville in 1843. In 1853 Dr. Samuel Ayres bought a house on the northeast corner of Broadway and Fourth in Danville. Malcolm Ayres, in 1870, was a black minister living with his family in Danville, Kentucky. He was born in Virginia. In 1880 Malcolm was living in the 4th Ward in Lexington, Ky.

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# RECENT AMERICAN AND FOREIGN PATENTS.

\_Under this heading we shall publish weekly notes of some of the more prominent home and foreign patents\_.

REFRIGERATOR.--Samuel Ayres, Danville, Ky.--This invention relates to improvements in refrigerators, and consists in certain improvements in

the construction and arrangement for excluding the external atmosphere, distributing the cold by means of the ice, and also the water resulting therefrom; for economizing space, and for providing convenient access to all the different parts.

More About Samuel Ayres:

Misc.: 1870, Wife Mildred (born Ca. 1828)

Occupation: Dentist

More About Samuel Ayres and Elsey Malone:

Marriage: 23 Jan 1821

Children of Samuel Ayres and Elsey Malone are:

- i. Albert<sup>6</sup> Ayres, born Abt. 1852; died Unknown.
- 61 ii. William Ayres, born Abt. 1854; died Unknown.

More About William Ayres: Residence: Louisville, Ky.

62 iii. Iva Ayres, born Abt. 1856; died Unknown.

More About Iva Ayres: Misc.: Possibly named Iva

- iv. Samuel Ayres, born Abt. 1859; died Unknown.
- **34. Dorothy Apphia Jameson<sup>5</sup> Ayres** (Samuel<sup>4</sup>, William<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 23 Aug 1811, and died Unknown. She married **John Hollingsworth** 27 Aug 1835 in Mercer Co. Ky.. He was born Abt. 1811, and died Unknown.

More About John Hollingsworth and Dorothy Ayres:

Marriage: 27 Aug 1835, Mercer Co. Ky.

Children of Dorothy Ayres and John Hollingsworth are:

i. Martha Ayres<sup>6</sup> Hollingsworth, born Abt. 1836; died Unknown. She married (1) William Bowen; died Unknown. She married (2) R. B. Wood; died Unknown.

More About Martha Ayres Hollingsworth:

Residence: Lookout Mountain, Tenn.

- 65 ii. Unknown Hollingsworth, died Unknown. She married Unknown Yeiser; died Unknown.
- 66 iii. Emily Perkins Hollingsworth, born Abt. 1838; died Unknown.
- 67 iv. John Hollingsworth, born Abt. 1842; died Unknown.
- v. Isaac Hollingsworth, died Unknown.
- **36.** Ritchie<sup>5</sup> Ayres (Thomas<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 1789 in Virginia, and died 04 Aug 1874 in Pike Co. Mo. He married (1) Elizabeth Reading 20 Apr 1819 in Harrison County Kentucky, daughter of George Reading and Nancy McCune. She was born 01 Jan 1795 in

Ky, and died 01 Sep 1830 in Pike Co. Mo. He married (2) Isabella M. Finley 03 Feb 1832 in Pike Co. Mo.. She died Bef. 1850.

# Notes for Ritchie Ayres:

Ritchie Ayres appeared in Harrison Co. Ky in 1816. He is found in the records sometimes as Ritchie and sometimes as Richard. He signed his marriage bond as Ritchie Ayres. He appeared in Harrison Co. Ky at least until 1828. 5 July 1828 he and wife Betsy sell to Thomas Snodgrass one undivided 3rd part of a certain tract of 48.5 acres with a third part of grist mill saw mill & distillery situated thereon-South Fork of Licking at mouth of the woods. By 1830, Ritchie living in Pike Co. Missouri, & appears to have 2 daughters (names unknown). His oldest known son, George was born about 1829 in Missouri. In 1840 he is living in Peno Township, Pike Co. Mo. and in 1850 he is living in Buffalo Township and he was there also in 1860 and 1870. In 1853 he sold an undivided half of a town lot back in Cynthiana Ky. In 1870 he as a retired farmer was living with his son Robert. According to IGI he died in 1874.

There is a deed [Book G p. 422, 23 April 1830] recorded in Gallatin Co. Ky from Ritchie Ayres of Pike Co. Missouri to his sister, Martha Ayres. He granted to Martha the claim he had in the estate of his grandfather, Thomas Ayres deceased as it was devised in his last will & testament.

Apparently it was a different Ritchie Ayres, who was spoken of in Samuel Ayres 1786 letter. Possibly the younger Ritchie Ayres was named after the older Ritchie Ayres. One Richard "Ritchie" Ayres, a Major, born about 1760 was living in 1820 in Richmond, Virginia. He married Martha Dudley and they had John T., George, Samuel, William, James [1780-1833], Armistead, Peggy, Polly, & Elizabeth Richie Ayres [good names].

More About Ritchie Ayres:

Source to Father: 60,61

More About Ritchie Ayres and Elizabeth Reading: Bondsman: 20 Apr 1819, George Reading # 1346 Marriage: 20 Apr 1819, Harrison County Kentucky

More About Ritchie Ayres and Isabella Finley:

Marriage: 03 Feb 1832, Pike Co. Mo.

Child of Ritchie Ayres and Elizabeth Reading is:

69 i. George A.<sup>6</sup> Ayres, born Abt. 1829; died Unknown.

Children of Ritchie Ayres and Isabella Finley are:

- i. Mary E.<sup>6</sup> Ayres, born Abt. 1833; died Unknown.
- 71 ii. Martha A. Ayres, born Abt. 1835; died Unknown.
- + 72 iii. Robert Finley Ayres, born 22 Jan 1842 in Pike Co. Mo; died Unknown.
  - 73 iv. Eliza E. Ayres, born Abt. 1846; died Unknown.
- **37. Dinah**<sup>5</sup> **Ayres** (Thomas<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born Bef. 1795 in Virginia, and died Bet. 1820 1830. She married **Joseph Conn** 12 Apr 1812 in Gallatin Co. Ky.. He was born Bet. 1770 1775, and died Abt. 1830.

# Notes for Dinah Ayres:

D.C. Ayres certified her lawful age for marriage-she is "probably" the daughter of his deceased brother Thomas Ayres or if not then certainly a close relative.

More About Joseph Conn and Dinah Ayres:

Marriage: 12 Apr 1812, Gallatin Co. Ky.

# Children of Dinah Ayres and Joseph Conn are:

- + 74 i. Zuriah<sup>6</sup> Conn, born Abt. 1814 in Ky; died Unknown.
- + 75 ii. James A. Conn, born 20 Jan 1815; died 17 Jun 1868 in Owen Co. Ky...
- + 76 iii. John Conn, born Abt. 1817; died Unknown.

**38.** Robert Sale<sup>5</sup> Ayres (Daniel Coleman<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 08 Oct 1806<sup>62</sup>, and died Aft. 1870. He married (1) Catherine Brock 26 Nov 1827 in Owen Co. Ky., daughter of John Brock and Unknown. She was born Abt. 1810, and died Unknown. He married (2) Elisa McIntyre 24 Jul 1848 in Grant Co. Ky.. She was born Abt. 1816 in Ky, and died Unknown.

# Notes for Robert Sale Ayres:

Robert was apparently named for his maternal grandfather. In 1839 he was a constable in Owen County KY (order book D p. 43). He was living in Grant co. in 1850, age 44. By 1827 Robert Ayres shows up on the Owen Co. tax list. Robert fits Daniel's census listings for a male born 1804-1810. In 1870 Robert age 64, a farmer, was living in Paola Township Miami Co. Kansas (census p. 465). Listed with him was Joseph Ayres age 19 (born Ky.), Eliza age 43 (born Ky), Emeline age 17 (born Ill.). A D. C. Ayres 38 (abt1822 Ky) was living near Robert in 1860.

More About Robert Sale Ayres:

Burial: Unknown, Paola Kansas

Occupation: 1860, Miller in Christian Co. Illinois, Mt. Auburn Residence: 1866, South Wheatland Twp Macon Co. Illinois

More About Robert Ayres and Catherine Brock:

Marriage: 26 Nov 1827, Owen Co. Ky.

More About Elisa McIntyre:

Misc.: Widow when she married RS

More About Robert Ayres and Elisa McIntyre:

Marriage: 24 Jul 1848, Grant Co. Ky.

Misc: 1848, Eliza a widow

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### Children of Robert Ayres and Catherine Brock are:

i. Zerelda Jane<sup>6</sup> Ayres, born Abt. 1829; died Unknown. She married David F. Gassett 05 Dec 1848 in Owen County; born Abt. 1824; died Unknown.

More About David Gassett and Zerelda Ayres:

Marriage: 05 Dec 1848, Owen County

- + 78 ii. Mary Susan Ayres, born 04 Aug 1830; died 11 Apr 1911 in Benedict Township Kansas.
- + 79 iii. Thomas M. Ayres, born Abt. 1832 in Ky; died Abt. 1900 in Macon Co. Illinois.
- + 80 iv. James William Ayres, born 08 Mar 1837 in Ky; died 21 Jan 1912.
- + 81 v. Lucy A. Ayres, born 02 Apr 1838 in Owen Co. Ky.; died 06 Mar 1917 in Lintner Macon Co. Illinois.
- + 82 vi. Missouri Ann Ayres, born Abt. 1841; died Aft. 1910.
  - vii. Sally A. Ayres, born Abt. 1844; died Unknown. She married Noah Jacobs; born Abt. 1831; died Unknown.
- + 84 viii. Robert Sale Ayres, born 02 Dec 1844 in Owen Co. Ky.; died 06 Jan 1913 in Paola, Kansas.

# Children of Robert Ayres and Elisa McIntyre are:

- i. Lorenza<sup>6</sup> Ayres, born Abt. 1849; died Unknown.
- 86 ii. Levy R. Ayres, born 1849; died Unknown.
- iii. Joseph Ayres, born Abt. 1850 in Ky; died Unknown.
- 88 iv. Evaline Ayres, born Abt. 1852 in Illinois; died Unknown.
- **39.** Thomas S.<sup>5</sup> Ayres (Daniel Coleman<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 22 May 1808<sup>62</sup>, and died 06 Apr 1857. He married **Lucy Howard** 22 Feb 1830 in Gallatin Co. Ky.. She was born Abt. 1804 in Maryland, and died Unknown.

# Notes for Thomas S. Ayres:

Thomas shows up on the Owen Co. tax list in 1830 (but not again) next to Robert Ayres who is next to Daniel C. Ayres. He fits for Daniel's listing of another male born 1804-1810. He and his wife could also be present in Daniel's 1830 census listing. There was an appraisal of a Thomas Ayres estate recorded in Gallatin Co.

More About Thomas Ayres and Lucy Howard:

Marriage: 22 Feb 1830, Gallatin Co. Ky.

#### Child of Thomas Ayres and Lucy Howard is:

- + 89 i. Leonard C.<sup>6</sup> Ayres, born 03 Feb 1831 in Springfield, Ill; died Unknown.
- **40. Sandford B.**<sup>5</sup> **Ayres** (Daniel Coleman<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 29 Jul 1811 in Kentucky<sup>62</sup>, and died 27 Aug 1875 in Sangamon Co. Illinois. He married **Zerelda Emarine Beatty** 05 Jan 1841 in Owen Co. Ky., daughter of William Beatty and Nancy Brock. She was born 21 Dec 1825, and died Bef. 1875 in Illinois.

# Notes for Sandford B. Ayres:

Sandford shows up on the Owen Co. tax list in 1834. In 1840 he is farming 120 acres and is listed next to Daniel C. Ayres and Lewis Ayres. In 1843 he is next to Robert S. Ayres. He matches a male for Daniel's listing in the 1820-1840 censuses (in 1830 only one male in that range]. Descendants given by Judith Turpin Cull.

More About Sandford B. Ayres:

Source of Descendants: 17 Mar 2002<sup>63</sup>

More About Sandford Ayres and Zerelda Beatty:

Marriage: 05 Jan 1841, Owen Co. Ky.

#### Children of Sandford Ayres and Zerelda Beatty are:

- i. Robert William<sup>6</sup> Ayres, born 23 Dec 1841; died Unknown.
- + 91 ii. Mary Elizabeth Ayres, born 23 Dec 1842 in Ky; died 29 Jan 1927 in Macon Co. Illinois.
  - 92 iii. John J. Ayres, born 11 Dec 1845; died Unknown.
- + 93 iv. Sarah Catherine Ayres, born 16 Apr 1848 in Kentucky; died 05 May 1923 in Hendrick Co. Indiana.
  - v. Nancy Susan Ayres, born 09 Oct 1849; died Unknown.
  - 95 vi. Lemuel Ayres, born 14 Oct 1850; died Unknown.
- + 96 vii. Francis W. Ayres, born 14 Oct 1861; died 1934.
- **41. James L.<sup>5</sup> Ayres** (Daniel Coleman<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 13 Sep 1814<sup>64</sup>, and died Unknown.

# Notes for James L. Ayres:

James first appears on the Owen Co. tax list in 1839 next to William Ayres. In 1840 & 1841 he's next to Wm S. Ayres. In 1842 he's listed next to Sanford Ayres & Daniel C. Ayres and farming 180 acres. In 1843 he's next to Robert S. Ayres. He fits for a male born Ca. 1815-1820 in Daniel's 1820-1840 census listings. In 1869 James is living in Grant Co. Ky. He may have married an Elizabeth. No further is known [for sure] about him. In 1880 on Brush Creek, Wayne Co. Illinois there is a James Ayres, age 65, born Ky & wife Minerva age 56. The next listing is David Ayres 22 and wife Jane 19. The age fits for James, son of Daniel.

# More About James L. Ayres:

Source of Descendants: Eileen Snider

### Children of James L. Ayres are:

- 97 i. Samuel<sup>6</sup> Ayres, born Abt. 1844; died Unknown.
- 98 ii. James Ayres, born Abt. 1845; died Unknown.
- 99 iii. William Ayres, born Abt. 1850; died Unknown.
- **42.** William S.<sup>5</sup> Ayres (Daniel Coleman<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 12 Jul 1817 in KY<sup>64</sup>, and died 30 Nov 1897 in KS. He married **Sarah Childers** 14 Nov 1844 in Grant Co. Ky.. She was born 03 Dec 1823 in KY, and died 05 May 1911 in KS.

# Notes for William S. Ayres:

William S. first appears on the Owen tax list in 1839 next to James. In 1840 he was farming 100 acres in Grant Co. In 1842 he was next to Robert S. Ayres. He fits for a male born 1815-1820 in Daniel's 1820-1840 census listings.

## More About William S. Ayres:

Misc.: 11 Nov 1869, Owen Co. Ky. Circuit Court: William Ayres vs William Estes-gray horse sold to Estes he is to take risk of horse being taken by the federal officers ... cosequence of horse having been used in the confederate service

Occupation: Bet. 1848 - 1861, Merchant, Tavern Keeper constable

Residence: 1880, Washington Co. KS<sup>65</sup>

More About Sarah Childers: Misc.: Heir of joshua Childers

More About William Ayres and Sarah Childers:

Marriage: 14 Nov 1844, Grant Co. Ky.

Child of William Ayres and Sarah Childers is:

+ 100 i. John William<sup>6</sup> Ayres, born 07 Mar 1843 in Grant Co., KY; died 10 Apr 1903 in Palmer, KS; Adopted child.

**44. Daniel Coleman**<sup>5</sup> **Ayres** (Daniel Coleman<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born Abt. 1825 in Owen Co. Ky., and died Aft. 1900. He married (1) **Caroline Webster** 07 Feb 1856 in Owen Co. Ky., daughter of Henry Webster and Polly. She died Unknown. He married (2) **Mahala L. Wilhoite** 27 May 1866 in Owen Co. Ky., daughter of Charles Wilhoite and Permelia Wilhoite. She was born Abt. 1843, and died Bef. 1900.

# Notes for Daniel Coleman Ayres:

In 1850 he was living (age 23-b 1827) in the home of John Montgomery. Also in this home was a Francis M. Peak, merchant. Daniel first shows up on the tax list in 1851(born abt 1829 or before). Daniel C Ayres age 41(b. 1825) was born in Owen and married as his 2nd wife Mahura (Mahala?) EJ Wilhoite who was age 22. The groom's father was born in VA. The marriage was 27 May1866. The 1880 census has Daniel (Jr.) as age 41 (born 1839) and the 1870 census has his age as 50 (1820). His 1900 census gives him as born May 1820. Daniel (Sr.)'s 1810 & 1820 censuses show 5 male children which are accounted for but the 1830 and 1840 censuses show another male born 1825-1830 which would come from the second marriage. Some of the ages fit and some do not but census errors and misinterpretation may account for the discrepancies. The first three references are in agreement with Daniel Sr.'s census entrys. There doesn't seem to be another viable candidate for the father of Daniel (Jr.) except Daniel (Sr.). Although not proven it is presumed that Daniel was the son of Daniel Coleman Ayres, Sr. (b. 1784).

More About Daniel Coleman Ayres:

Occupation: 1900, Gardener Residence: 1900, Franklin

More About Daniel Ayres and Caroline Webster:

Marriage: 07 Feb 1856, Owen Co. Ky.

More About Mahala L. Wilhoite:

Misc.: not sure of name

Marriage Notes for Daniel Ayres and Mahala Wilhoite:

His age was 41 and her age was 22. It was her first and his 2nd marriage. They were both born in Owen County and they were married at C. S. Wilhoite's with John K. Wilhoite as the surety.

More About Daniel Ayres and Mahala Wilhoite:

Marriage: 27 May 1866, Owen Co. Ky.

# Children of Daniel Ayres and Caroline Webster are:

 Ann Eliza<sup>6</sup> Ayres, born 1858; died Unknown. She married S. B. Johnson 04 Apr 1889 in Owen Co. Ky.; died Unknown.

More About S. Johnson and Ann Ayres: Marriage: 04 Apr 1889, Owen Co. Ky.

ii. William Ayres, born Abt. 1863; died Unknown.

# Children of Daniel Ayres and Mahala Wilhoite are:

- + 103 i. Sanford Coleman<sup>6</sup> Ayres, born 16 Apr 1867 in Henry Co. Ky.; died 23 Jul 1942 in Franklin Co. Ky..
  - ii. Ruetta M. Ayres, born 1868; died Unknown.
  - iii. Mary F. Ayres, born Abt. 1870; died Unknown.
- + 106 iv. Permelia Malinda Ayres, born 06 Jul 1872 in Owen Co. Ky.; died 05 Nov 1918 in Franklin co. Ky..
- **45.** Susan J.<sup>5</sup> Ayres (Daniel Coleman<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born Aft. 1827, and died Unknown. She married (1) James Taylor 12 Dec 1848 in Owen Co. Ky.. He was born Abt. 1820, and died Unknown. She married (2) James H. Wilhoite Bef. 1884. He died Unknown.

More About James Taylor and Susan Ayres:

Marriage: 12 Dec 1848, Owen Co. Ky.

More About James Wilhoite and Susan Ayres:

Marriage: Bef. 1884

### Children of Susan Ayres and James Taylor are:

 i. Elizabeth Maria<sup>6</sup> Taylor, born Abt. 1851; died Unknown. She married Joseph Drexelius Abt. 1871; died Unknown.

> More About Elizabeth Maria Taylor: Burial: Unknown, Highland Cemetery

More About Joseph Drexelius and Elizabeth Taylor:

Marriage: Abt. 1871

ii. Robert Taylor, born Abt. 1861; died Unknown.

**46. Telitha J.**<sup>5</sup> **Ayres** (Daniel Coleman<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born Abt. 1828 in Kentucky, and died Aft. 1883. She married **Thomas Jefferson Wilhoite** Bet. 1830 - 1850, son of Charles Wilhoite and Permelia Wilhoite. He was born Abt. 1825, and died Aft. 1883.

### Notes for Telitha J. Ayres:

In a letter from Indianapolis in 1983 to Larry Ayres, Nancie Purtill states that her great grandmother, Nancy Sally Wilhoite resided in the same house that his (LA) mother lived in in 1983 Poplar Grove). She further stated that Nancy Sally married John Bartlett Thompson. She said that Nancy Sally and her sisters Catherine & Bell were the daughters of a Miss Ayres. Nancy Sally was 5 feet three, dark hair and had a small to medium frame. She took after the Ayreses.

In the 1870 census of Owen Co. at Poplar Grove is found the family of Jeff & Telitha Wilhoite.

Three of the daughters are Catherine, Frances Bell, and Nannie (Nannie S. in 1880). Owen Co. deeds 31:61, 534 (1883) refer to Telitha J. Wilhoite and husband T. J. Wilhoite in conjunction with the division of land occupied by D. C. Ayres in his lifetime.

Telitha died of a heart attack while riding in a wagon-she stood up and fell over!

More About Telitha J. Ayres:

Burial: Unknown, Elbethel Christian Church Cemetery (?)

Fact 1: See L150

Source of Descendants: 2002, Nancie Purtill (and other)

More About Thomas Jefferson Wilhoite:

Source to Father: 15 Mar 1898, Owen Co. Ky. Deed 42:589-90/V 514 (1864)

More About Thomas Wilhoite and Telitha Ayres:

Children: 1850, Owen Co. Ky. 216B James 3, Wm 1

Marriage: Bet. 1830 - 1850

# Children of Telitha Ayres and Thomas Wilhoite are:

i. James<sup>6</sup> Wilhoite, born Abt. 1847; died Unknown.

More About James Wilhoite:

Burial: Unknown, Indianapolis at Washington St.

Medical Information: Curvature of spine

ii. William Wilhoite, born Abt. 1849; died Abt. 1863.

More About William Wilhoite:

Cause of Death: Bitten by a rabid mad dog

- iii. Elois Wilhoite, born Abt. 1851; died Unknown.
- iv. Mahala Wilhoite, born Abt. 1853; died Unknown.
- + 113 v. Catherine Wilhoite, born Abt. 1855 in Henry Co. Ky.; died Unknown.
  - vi. John Wilhoite, born Abt. 1857; died Unknown.
  - vii. Coleman Wilhoite, born Abt. 1860; died Unknown.

More About Coleman Wilhoite:

Residence: Lived near Elkhorn

- viii. Leona Wilhoite, born 1860; died Unknown.
- + 117 ix. Frances Bell Wilhoite, born 12 Sep 1860; died 24 Feb 1940.
- + 118 x. Nancy Sally Wilhoite, born Apr 1863 in Kentucky; died 1945 in Indianapolis.

**47. Samuel M.**<sup>5</sup> **Ayres** (Daniel Coleman<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born Abt. 1841, and died Abt. 1863. He married **Matricia Wilhoite** 23 Feb 1861 in Owen Co. Ky., daughter of Charles Wilhoite and Permelia Wilhoite. She was born 18 Apr 1839, and died 14 Jan 1911 in Henry Co. Ky. at Gest.

Notes for Samuel M. Ayres:

He was on the Owen County tax list in 1862 next to D.C. Ayres (145 acres Brush Creek).

More About Matricia Wilhoite: Burial: Unknown, Monterey Cause of Death: Typhoid Fever

Source to Parents: Death Certificate 1136

Marriage Notes for Samuel Ayres and Matricia Wilhoite:

May have had a daughter Sarah b. 1863

More About Samuel Ayres and Matricia Wilhoite:

Marriage: 23 Feb 1861, Owen Co. Ky.

Child of Samuel Ayres and Matricia Wilhoite is:

+ 119 i. Sarah E.<sup>6</sup> Ayres, born 22 Dec 1861 in Owen Co. Ky.; died 10 Jan 1938 in Muncie, Indiana.

**48.** James Thomas<sup>5</sup> Ayres (Lewis<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>)<sup>66,67</sup> was born 09 Jan 1828 in Owen Co. Ky.<sup>68,69</sup>, and died 18 Dec 1910<sup>70</sup>. He married **Mary E. Franks** 22 Jun 1869 in Grant Co. Ky., daughter of James Franks and Franky Cowgill. She was born 15 Nov 1836<sup>71</sup>, and died 30 Jul 1901<sup>72</sup>.

More About James Thomas Ayres:

Burial: 1910, Jonesville Masonic Cemetery (N38/38/32 W84/46/27)

Fact 1: bur Jonesville Masonic Fact 2: Prb. named for grandfathers

Military service: Confederate Army Orphan's Brigade

Misc.: Also known as Pascal and Pack Ayres Source to Father: See Stf for Christopher

#### Notes for Mary E. Franks:

Mary was probably born in Owen or Grant County, the daughter of James Franks & Franky Cowgill . Her father lived in both Owen and Grant Counties during his life. Mary's first marriage was to James C. Bennett in 1857. There was a daughter from that marriage, Ruthy Bennett who was born about 1859. She was living with James and Mary Ayres in 1870 but no other records for her have been found. In the 1900 census Mary is listed as the mother of 6 children and 4 were living. She has 4 known Ayres children and 1 known Bennett child. There must have been another one-probably a Bennett. In 1900 Mary had 3 Ayres children still living plus one other child-possibly Ruth Bennett who could have married before 1880. In 1870 James Franks of Grant County sells land on Stephens Creek to Mary E. Ayres, wife of J. T. Ayres of Owen County [Z 561]. This farm (93 acres) was transferred to Buenos & William Ayres in 1900 (45-14) . Laura Beatty released her third of amount in 1905.

More About Mary E. Franks:

Burial: 1901, Macedonia Baptist Church Cemetery Jonesville, Ky

More About James Ayres and Mary Franks:

Children: 1900, Mother of 6 4 living Marriage: 22 Jun 1869, Grant Co. Ky.

Misc: 1869, Married by P. B. Shepherd at the Seymour House

# Children of James Ayres and Mary Franks are:

- + 120 i. John Thomas<sup>6</sup> Ayres, born 23 May 1870; died 27 Aug 1894.
- + 121 ii. Buenos Edward Ayres, born 28 Mar 1872 in Grant Co. Ky.; died 20 Dec 1955 in Carroll County Ky.
- + 122 iii. William Jasper Ayres, born 13 Dec 1873; died 21 Jul 1925 in His Home.
- + 123 iv. Laura B. Ayres, born 1875; died 1965.

**49.** Lewis Samuel<sup>5</sup> Ayres (Lewis<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 20 Aug 1832 in Owen Co. Ky.<sup>73</sup>, and died 22 May 1916 in (near) Holbrook Owen Co. Ky. at 4 A. M.<sup>74</sup>. He married **Susan Elizabeth Herndon** 23 Nov 1852 in Owen Co. Ky., daughter of George Herndon and Martha Moore. She was born Abt. 1837 in Owen Co. Ky., and died 1896 in Owen Co. Ky.<sup>75</sup>.

Notes for Lewis Samuel Ayres:

Uncle Sam Ayres

Lewis Samuel "Sam" Ayres was born at Poplar Grove, the second son of Lewis and Ellender Ayres. Apparently he was named after his father and Samuel Ayres, first cousin of Lewis Ayres. [Samuel Ayres, an early Kentucky pioneer was a prominent resident of Lexington and later Danville, Kentucky]. Less is known about Sam than his brothers, "Pack" and "Lum". In 1860 he was living at Poplar Grove with his wife and son's George, and John. Sam was a farmer. He was listed with 4 acres in 1863 & in 1867 he had 15 acres on Brush Creek. In 1870 they were still in the Poplar Grove area and their children were George, John, Martha, & James T. At this time he was farming 82 acres on Brush Creek. At this time some of his neighbors were Stegar, John Searcy, and Scott Noel. In 1890 the tax list indicates he was farming 46 acres near Sam Hicks. His father, Lewis was residing wih him at the time of his death in 1869 and his daughter Tibby died close to the same time of Scarlet Fever at the age of 6. In 1900 and 1910 Sam was living with his son James T. & family at Sweet Owen. He had 8 known children outliving 2 of them and his wife. He lost one child to scarlet fever and one hanged himself before Sam died. Another son also hanged himself later.

Very little was known about Sam Ayres and his descendants compared to the families of his two brothers, "Pack" & "Lum" until late in this project. An obituary [kept from 1976] of Bessie, his granddaughter led to the discovery of descendants living in Frankfort and contact with a daughter of Bessie. In 2000 the first photo of a descendant of Sam appeared (wedding photo) in Frankfort's paper. After considerable "detective" work [mostly just trying to find a photo of Roxie] the motherlode of Ayres and Ayres descendant photos was located in 2005 in Owenton, Ky! There were photos [several of some] of John, James, Bob, and Roxie [15 photos] [children of Sam]. There were none for George or Martha but some of their children. Included in the collection was a very old photo-an ambrotype of a young man [Photo Album page 20]. The image [but not the frame] was evaluated by a person with some expertise and it was thought to be 1852 +-5 with 90% certainty. Large numbers of ambrotypes were made around 1858. 1857 [plus or minus a few years] seems to be an accurate assessment of the date of the photo. The man in the photo could be around age 25 [plus or minus] which fits well for Sam Ayres. In making facial comparisons some key facial nodal points to consider are: distance between eyes, width of nose, eye socket depth, cheekbones, jaw line, and chin. Facial shape would also be important. In comparing 4 of Sam's children to the ambrotype, there is some resemblance noted particularly with respect to nose and mouth. The man in this photo "could" be Sam Ayres! The owner of the photos, a great granddaughter of Sam Ayres was gracious enough to allow me to visit twice and even loaned me the photos to scan.

In a court record is a hand written promissory note signed by Sam. He used the signature L. S. Ayres.

Sam died in 1916 and was buried at Jonesville. Finding his death certificate required searching the microfilm as he did not appear in the index. There has not been found a tombstone for him. His obituary stated that "He was a most estimable gentleman and enjoyed the friendship of a host of natives. He was said to be a man who helped those who were least able to help themselves"

More About Lewis Samuel Ayres:

Burial: 23 May 1916, Jonesville, Ky

Cause of Death: Chronic dysentery contributed by lack of proper nourishment

Misc.: Commonly known as Sam

Source to Father: See Stf for Christopher Source to Parents: 1916, DC 13909

More About Lewis Ayres and Susan Herndon:

Marriage: 23 Nov 1852, Owen Co. Ky.

#### Children of Lewis Ayres and Susan Herndon are:

+ 124 i. George W.<sup>6</sup> Ayres, born 10 Oct 1853; died 14 Feb 1934 in Shelby Co. Ky..

+ 125 ii. John Lewis Ayres, born 22 Jan 1858 in Owen Co. Ky. at Poplar Grove; died 17 Jul 1932 in Glencoe, Gallatin Co. Ky..

+ 126 iii. Martha E. Ayres, born 01 Sep 1861 in Owen Co. Ky.; died 01 Sep 1915 in Owen Co. Ky..

iv. Tibby Ayres, born Abt. 1864; died Feb 1870 in Poplar Grove, Owen Co., Ky.

More About Tibby Ayres: Cause of Death: Scarlet Fever

Residence: 1870, Household 72 (Sam Ayres)

+ 128 v. James Thomas Ayres, born 22 Dec 1867 in Owen Co. Ky.; died 05 Sep 1936 in Owen County.

vi. Robert Ayres, born Abt. 1870; died 28 Feb 1901 in Holbrook.

### Notes for Robert Ayres:

Robert Ayres, a single man living with his father over the line in Owen Co. near Holbrook committed suicide by hanging himself on Thursday night. He used a ten foot rope purchased at Owenton that day. No one was at home and he was discovered by his brother Friday. There was no known reason for his rash act. The Williamstown Courier.

A granddaughter of James Ayres, Robert's brother says that Pete hung himself over the table at the old homeplace but it was probably Robert as Pete probably hung himself at Jonesville.

More About Robert Ayres:

Cause of Death: Suicide by hanging

Misc.: Photo Album page 5

vii. Peter Ayres, born 12 Jun 1873 in Owen Co. Ky.; died 28 Aug 1936 in Gallatin Co. Ky..

#### Notes for Peter Ayres:

Pete [WWI draft registration] of RFD 2 Glencoe, Gallatin Co. was a laborer/farmer employed by William Maddox of Jonesville. His nearest relative was Roxie Beatty of RFD 2 Glencoe.

Pete Ayres was known to call the "rapping spirits". My grandmother told me about some of the strange things that he could do. He could make a paper fly out of a closed book and make his pipe walk across the floor. Once when my grandmother was a girl (I think some of her cousins were there) he spent the night with my grandmother's family. He used to hire out to Charlie Ayres, my great grandfather. He told them if they weren't up early that he would make their bed to fall down.

Needless to say they were all up bright and early the next morning! Mostly he would do these things when he was drinking. The rapping spirits got so bad that they rapped on his plow handles when he was working. A granddaughter of Pete's brother James said he could hear a piano playing. She also said [if I'm interpreting my notes correctly] Pete could hear a man cut his wife's head off & hear it thud on the ground. Apparently, not getting any peace they drove him to suicide. I believe that he hanged himself from the Jonesville Bridge.

Regarding Pete Ayres, Lacie Ayres Marston spoke of him [to me] in the 1970's as follows: "Pappy's cousin, Sam was grandpa Ayres brother, there's one that was blind ... Pappy [Charlie Ayres] used to hire them [Pete Ayres] they lived at our house & we was all down on the floor watching him & he said I'm gonna make my pipe walk & he just held his hand over it like that way up about 2 feet from it & it would just go along he put a sheet of paper in a great big catalog & held his hand over that catalog & that paper would slip out of there so quick & Katie [Ayres] was there & Lena [Eads] & we all slept upstairs & that's when he told us if we didn't get up early he was goin & make our bed fall down & he could do but he just never had no peace when he plowed or anything they rapped on the plow handle [rapping spirits] he said he'd give anything if he hadn't ever called them in the beginning he lived over about Jonesville & they went out there one day & I don't know if he lived by himself it kinda seemed like he did & they found him hanging up when he hung himself he couldn't take it anymore ... he'd make your hat go across the floor it was just weird to see it done I guess it was the Devil's work but I wouldn't wanta got into it."

It seems I've heard that he hanged himself on a bridge near Jonesville.

In 2007 Harrison Wright of Glencoe reports that Pete was left-handed and played the fiddle. Pete could spear fish under rocks. He says that Pete hanged himself at his house in Glencoe-a house that was only recently torn down. He did have a picture of Pete but his brother may have it now.

More About Peter Ayres:

Burial: 30 Aug 1936, Jonesville Masonic Cemetery (N38/38/30 W84/46/25)

Cause of Death: Suicide by hanging Fact 1: Called rapping spirits

Misc.: 1928, Bought lot 47 in Glencoe from Stella Ayres

+ 131 viii. Roxie R. Ayres, born Mar 1877; died 15 Dec 1953 in Grant Co. Ky. at home on Elliston Road near Jonesville.

**50.** Christopher Columbus Sanford Bradford<sup>5</sup> Ayres (Lewis<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>)<sup>76</sup> was born 23 Aug 1834 in Owen Co. Ky.<sup>77</sup>, and died 07 Jul 1913 in His Home<sup>78</sup>. He married **Sarah Ann Thornton** 10 Jan 1861 in Owen Co. Ky.<sup>79</sup>, daughter of Phillip Thornton and Elizabeth Slaughter. She was born 20 Jul 1841 in Ky.<sup>80</sup>, and died 18 Dec 1928<sup>81</sup>.

More About Christopher Columbus Sanford Bradford Ayres:

Burial: 09 Jul 1913, Squiresville Cemetery N38/32/43; W84/57/45

Cause of Death: Paralysis Fact 2: Champion fiddle player

Fact 3: Name:see L5

Misc.: Commonly known as Lum

Occupation: Farmer

Source to Parents: 20 Jul 1866, Will Book F p. 1 Owen Co. Ky./1913 d.c.<sup>82,83</sup>

#### Notes for Sarah Ann Thornton:

Sarah was the daughter of Phillip Alexander Thornton and Elizabeth Slaughter. Phillip (son of Luke and Sarah Sleet Thornton) was born in Orange County Virginia. The Thornton lineage has been traced by Mrs. Ethel Knabb back several generations, connecting to Royal lineages [William The Conqueror, Alfred the Great, Charlemagne, and Antenor [King of the Cimmerians, lived 443 B.

C. ] . One ancestor of Charlemagne, Athildis (wife of Marcomir IV) is claimed to be a descendant of Joseph of Arimathea and from him the lineage is extended back to Adam!

Elizabeth (daughter of Charles and Nancy Garvey Slaughter) was born in Owen County Ky in 1822. . Charles Slaughter was a nephew of Kentucky governor, Gabriel Slaughter. The Slaughters were an old and prominent family of Culpeper County Virginia. More details can be found on the Slaughter Family in The Register of the Kentucky State Historical Society (1904-2), Virginia Historical Magazine, and Greene's Culpeper Notes. Nancy was the daughter of Revolutionary War soldier Job Garvey. It has been related that Job Garvey was born in Scotland and brought to America when he was quite young. His parents both dying early, he was bound to a man who proved to be quite a cruel master. Determined to escape the hard servitude, and partly from patriotic motives, he enlisted as a soldier in the Revolutionary Army and served the whole seven years! Job married Elizabeth Claxton in 1781 in Richmond Co. Virginia. Phillip and Elizabeth Slaughter Thornton went briefly to Missouri but he died of cholera in St. Louis in 1852. Elizabeth returned with their children to Owen Co. By August 1853 she was back as evidenced by her moving her letter to the Poplar Grove Baptist Church. A biography of Elizabeth appears titled "Grandma Nuttall" in "Bluegrass Roots" Volume 25, No. 4 page 140 and also a related article "Cadwallader" in the same issue (page 151 by this writer). A large picture of Elizabeth hung on a wall upstairs for many, many years in a home in the South Fork Community, but the picture has now passed into the hands of an heir.

Sarah Thornton Ayres could call the "rapping spirits". One time she was with a group, when someone said that someone here can call rapping spirits. I suppose that each tried in succession but it turned out to be Sarah that could call them. She would use a phrase such as "rapping spirits if you are present please rap". One time she asked them how long would it be before her missing uncle would return but "they" rapped so many times that you couldn't count them! She never felt right about calling them and eventually said "plague on those rapping spirits" and henceforth could never call them again. I don't know if it was some kind of "parlor trick" but my grandparents were quite convinced of the stories and my grandmother even observed first hand strange similar occurrences caused by Pete Ayres. Their explanation was that it was the Devil's work.

This all seems to fit rather well with Spiritualism, which was the belief that the dead communicated with the living. This became a fad throughout America and Europe during the 1850's.

Sarah appears in several photos some as multi-generational pictures. She became a member of Poplar Grove Baptist Church in March 1858.

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\* Modern Spiritualism was born in March 1848 at Hydesville New York with the Fox Family. The Fox Family had been disturbed by rapping and other supernormal phenomena. Eventually the children began what, to them was a game of talking to whatever mysterious power was responsible for the disturbance, asking for a specified number of raps in response to their questions. The reply was immediate and it became obvious that some kind of intelligence was manifesting itself. The Fox sisters declared they learned to communicate with the spirit of a man and that he told them he had been murdered and buried in the cellar. Repeated excavations failed to locate the body and give proof positive of their story. However, in 1904 the Boston Journal reported the skeleton of the man supposed to have caused the rapping first heard by the Fox sisters in 1848 has been found in the walls of the house occupied by the sisters! The Fox sisters became founders and most famous seers of 19th Century American Spiritualism and by 1855 there were one million followers.

Just as surely as there are spiritual forces for good so are there spiritual forces for evil. As regards

such types of supernatural phenomena, a possible theological explanation is that these "spirits" rather than being souls of the departed (who are asleep awaiting the resurrection) are fallen angels or demons or familiar spirits who posess secret knowledge and impersonate the dead. Satan knows well that those who deny his being will not be afraid of his power and influence. Pharoah's magician's were able to duplicate some of the feats performed by Moses. The Lord cast out devils and this power to cast them out was conferred upon the 12 apostles. The same Apostle who speaks of these evil spirits as "lying wonders" and "seducing spirits" (I Tim. 4:1;2 Thes. 2:9) tells that the heathen sacrificed to these demons. Demon manifestations are known in China, India, Africa and were known amongst the North American Indians (as owl, buffalo, beaver, fox etc.). In their original estate all the angels, it seems, possessed the ability to appear in earthly forms and instructed and ruled mankind for a time in harmony during the Ante-Deluvial period. Man's corruption was contagious, and eventually some of the angelic rulers fell victim to the plague of sin, misused their powers and became of a reprobate and licentious mind (Jude 6,7). These fallen angels have no longer any pleasure in things on the spiritual plane, but crave association with depraved mankind and a participation with men in sin. Although restrained they may enter and act through any who invite their companionship, as spirit mediums. Recently there were about one million Spiritualists in the U. S. in 52 state associations in 16 states. The Spiritualists claim two million believers.

"For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect."- Matthew 24: 24.

More About Sarah Ann Thornton:

Burial: 1928, Squiresville Cause of Death: acute gastritis

Fact 1: Picture in Pictorial History p. 41

Medical Information: senility

Source to Mother: Source F +Father's marriage+84

Source to Father: 1928, death certificate<sup>85</sup>

More About Christopher Ayres and Sarah Thornton:

Marriage: 10 Jan 1861, Owen Co. Ky.86

#### Children of Christopher Ayres and Sarah Thornton are:

- + 132 i. Mary Elizabeth<sup>6</sup> Ayres, born 18 Sep 1861 in Owen Co. Ky.; died 05 Nov 1943.
- + 133 ii. Charles William Ayres, born 26 Jul 1864 in Owen Co. Ky.; died 25 Oct 1909 in Owen Co. Ky..
- + 134 iii. Estal Ayres, born 15 Jul 1867 in Owen Co. Ky.; died 30 Oct 1947.
- + 135 iv. Eliza Jane Ayres, born 16 Nov 1869; died 12 Dec 1950.
- + 136 v. Lewis Phillip Ayres, born 24 Mar 1871; died 06 Nov 1948 in Owen Co. Ky. On Twin Creek.
- + 137 vi. John Samuel Ayres, born 05 Mar 1876 in Owen Co. Ky.; died 28 Aug 1955 in Gallatin Co. Ky..
- + 138 vii. Flora Ella Ayres, born 01 Jul 1878 in Owen Co. Ky.; died 03 Jun 1966 in Owen Co. Ky..
- + 139 viii. Mattie Price Ayres, born 18 Apr 1884 in Owen Co. Ky.; died 10 Aug 1967 in Falmouth Hospital.

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**72. Robert Finley<sup>6</sup> Ayres** (Ritchie<sup>5</sup>, Thomas<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 22 Jan 1842 in Pike Co. Mo, and died Unknown. He married **Ann J. Bryson** 09 Mar 1865. She was born Abt. 1847, and died Unknown.

More About Robert Ayres and Ann Bryson:

Marriage: 09 Mar 1865

# Children of Robert Ayres and Ann Bryson are:

- i. Anna Isabelle<sup>7</sup> Ayres, born Abt. 1867; died Unknown.
- ii. Lena Ayres, born Abt. 1869; died Unknown.
- iii. Helen Ayres, born Abt. 1871; died Unknown.
- iv. Mary Ayres, born Abt. 1873; died Unknown.
- v. Grace Ayres, born Abt. 1876; died Unknown.
- vi. Lillian Ayres, died Unknown.
- vii. Robert F. Ayres, born Abt. 1879; died Unknown.
- **74. Zuriah**<sup>6</sup> **Conn** (Dinah<sup>5</sup> Ayres, Thomas<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born Abt. 1814 in Ky, and died Unknown. She married **Thomas Squires** 25 Nov 1836 in Owen Co. Ky.. He was born Abt. 1807 in Ky, and died Unknown.

More About Zuriah Conn:

Residence: 1860, Wabash, Indiana

More About Thomas Squires and Zuriah Conn:

Marriage: 25 Nov 1836, Owen Co. Ky.

# Children of Zuriah Conn and Thomas Squires are:

- i. John<sup>7</sup> Squires, born Abt. 1840 in Ky; died Unknown.
- ii. Susan Squires, born Abt. 1844; died Unknown.
- iii. William Squires, born Abt. 1847 in Indiana; died Unknown.
- **75.** James A.<sup>6</sup> Conn (Dinah<sup>5</sup> Ayres, Thomas<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 20 Jan 1815, and died 17 Jun 1868 in Owen Co. Ky.. He married **Lydia Williams** 25 Mar 1836 in Owen Co. Ky.. She was born 20 Aug 1814 in Ky, and died 25 Apr 1900.

More About James Conn and Lydia Williams:

Marriage: 25 Mar 1836, Owen Co. Ky.

# Children of James Conn and Lydia Williams are:

- i. Sarah<sup>7</sup> Conn, born Abt. 1838; died Unknown.
- ii. Caroline Conn, born Abt. 1840; died Unknown.
- iii. Rebecca Conn, born Abt. 1842; died Unknown.
- iv. Joseph Conn, born Abt. 1844; died Unknown.
- v. John Andrew Conn, born 11 Jan 1846 in Grant Co. Ky.; died 28 Mar 1928 in Bryan Co. OK. He married Emily Courtney Wilson; born 16 Nov 1843; died Unknown.

More About Emily Courtney Wilson:

Misc.: Emily Marksberry (?)

- vi. Mary Conn, born Abt. 1851; died Unknown. She married John Alonzo Pryor; born Abt. 1847 in Ky; died Unknown.
- vii. Eunice Conn, born Abt. 1854; died Unknown. She married John W. Wood; born Abt. 1850; died Unknown.

More About John W. Wood: Occupation: 1880, Drives Team

157 viii. James Conn, born 11 Jun 1858 in Grant Co. Ky.; died Unknown.

**76.** John<sup>6</sup> Conn (Dinah<sup>5</sup> Ayres, Thomas<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born Abt. 1817, and died Unknown. He married **America**. She was born Abt. 1828, and died Unknown.

Notes for John Conn:

This may be from 1880: Owen 172 age 63 born: ky father Pa. mother Va.

More About John Conn:

Residence: 1860, Wabash, Indiana; 1880 Poplar Grove

Child of John Conn and America is:

158 i. William<sup>7</sup> Conn, born Abt. 1859 in Indiana; died Unknown. He married Martha A.; born Abt. 1859; died Unknown.

78. Mary Susan<sup>6</sup> Ayres (Robert Sale<sup>5</sup>, Daniel Coleman<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 04 Aug 1830, and died 11 Apr 1911 in Benedict Township Kansas. She married Joseph W. Fortner 03 Jul 1849 in Owen County. He was born 24 Jul 1829 in Ohio, and died 07 Feb 1877.

More About Mary Susan Ayres:

Residence: 1880, Guilford, Wilson Kansas

More About Joseph Fortner and Mary Ayres:

Marriage: 03 Jul 1849, Owen County

# Children of Mary Ayres and Joseph Fortner are:

- i. Elizabeth Catherine<sup>7</sup> Fortner, born 07 May 1850; died Unknown. She married George Washington 159 Medley; born 17 Feb 1843 in Indiana; died Unknown.
- 160 ii. Sarah E. Fortner, born 06 Jun 1852; died Unknown.
- 161 iii. Alice Fortner, born 23 Mar 1854; died 23 Aug 1855.
- 162 iv. Martha A. Fortner, born 16 Feb 1856 in Illinois; died Unknown.
- 163 v. Hariett F. Fortner, born 24 Oct 1859; died Unknown.
- vi. Mary A. Fortner, born 22 Sep 1861; died Unknown. 164
- vii. Emma J. Fortner, born 18 Mar 1863 in Illinois; died 11 Jun 1944. 165

More About Emma J. Fortner:

Residence: Oregon

166 viii. William Franklin Fortner, born 13 Jul 1865; died 01 Jun 1937 in Montana, Cascade Township. He married Sarah Sadie C. Evans 07 Dec 1892 in Wilson County Kansas; died Unknown.

More About William Fortner and Sarah Evans:

Marriage: 07 Dec 1892, Wilson County Kansas

167 ix. James Thomas Fortner, born 02 May 1868 in Kansas; died 1944.

More About James Thomas Fortner:

Residence: South Dakota

x. Artiernissie Iowa Fortner, born 31 Mar 1870 in Kansas; died Unknown. She married Daugherty;
 died Unknown.

More About Artiernissie Iowa Fortner: Residence: Decatur Township Illinois

- xi. Robert S. Fortner, born 15 May 1872 in Kansas; died Abt. 1939 in Washington. He married Grace; died Unknown.
- **79.** Thomas M.<sup>6</sup> Ayres (Robert Sale<sup>5</sup>, Daniel Coleman<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born Abt. 1832 in Ky, and died Abt. 1900 in Macon Co. Illinois. He married (1) Martha Hughes. She was born Abt. 1826, and died Abt. 1878. He married (2) Lucy Nesbit 02 Feb 1879 in Macon Co. Illinois. She was born Abt. 1858, and died Unknown.

Notes for Thomas M. Ayres:

Another source says he married Lucy and had Martha Ellen b. 1867.

More About Thomas M. Ayres:

Residence: 1866, Whitmore twp Macon Co. Ill.

More About Thomas Ayres and Lucy Nesbit: Marriage: 02 Feb 1879, Macon Co. Illinois

Child of Thomas Ayres and Martha Hughes is:

i. Martha Ellen<sup>7</sup> Ayres, born Abt. 1866; died Unknown.

More About Martha Ellen Ayres:

Misc.: One Martha married John H. Williams in Macon in 1891

Child of Thomas Ayres and Lucy Nesbit is:

i. Se<sup>7</sup> Ayres, born Abt. 1880; died Unknown.

**80.** James William<sup>6</sup> Ayres (Robert Sale<sup>5</sup>, Daniel Coleman<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 08 Mar 1837 in Ky, and died 21 Jan 1912. He married **Isabella B. Fortune** Abt. 1859. She was born Abt. 1835 in Ill, and died Aft. 1910.

More About James William Ayres: Residence: 1910, Macon Co. Illinois

More About James Ayres and Isabella Fortune:

Marriage: Abt. 1859

Children of James Ayres and Isabella Fortune are:

i. Liby Ellis<sup>7</sup> Ayres, born Abt. 1861; died Unknown.

ii. William F. Ayres, born Abt. 1866 in Illinois; died Aft. 1910. He married Mary K. Abt. 1891; born

Abt. 1862; died Unknown.

More About William F. Ayres:

Residence: 1910, New Lenox Twp, Will Co. Illinois

More About William Ayres and Mary K.:

Marriage: Abt. 1891

iii. Allen Malin Ayres, born Abt. 1869; died Unknown.

iv. Anna M. Ayres, born Abt. 1873; died Unknown.

**81.** Lucy A.<sup>6</sup> Ayres (Robert Sale<sup>5</sup>, Daniel Coleman<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>)<sup>87</sup> was born 02 Apr 1838 in Owen Co. Ky., and died 06 Mar 1917 in Lintner Macon Co. Illinois. She married **John Underwood** 31 Oct 1858 in Macon IL. He was born 08 Jul 1831 in Garrett KY, and died 23 Sep 1907 in Long Creek, Macon, Illinois.

More About Lucy A. Ayres: Misc.: Photo Album page 17 Residence: 1853, Macon Co. Ill.

More About John Underwood and Lucy Ayres:

Marriage: 31 Oct 1858, Macon IL

# Children of Lucy Ayres and John Underwood are:

i. William A.<sup>7</sup> Underwood, born 04 Jan 1861; died 1931. He married Belle Lyons; died Unknown.

More About William A. Underwood: Occupation: 1925, Sheriff of Macon County

- ii. Isaac Samuel Underwood, born Dec 1862; died Unknown. He married Myra E. Gobbert; born Abt. 1863; died Unknown.
- iii. James Edward Underwood, born 16 Jul 1865; died Unknown. He married Clara Bullard Abt. 1893; born Abt. 1872; died Unknown.

More About James Underwood and Clara Bullard:

Marriage: Abt. 1893

- iv. Ida Bell Underwood, born 01 Aug 1868; died Unknown. She married Charles E. Jolley; died Unknown
- 180 v. Elizabeth Underwood, born Abt. 1871; died Unknown. She married John Prather; died Unknown.
- vi. David Underwood, born Jul 1877; died Unknown. He married Maud Disney; died Unknown.
- 182 vii. Luella Underwood, born Jun 1880; died Unknown. She married Arthur A. Rucker; died Unknown.
- viii. Cora Alice Underwood, born 14 Mar 1883 in Macon Co. Illinois; died 18 Jul 1928 in Lintner Piatt Co. Illinois. She married William Arthur Faulk 12 Oct 1904 in Long Creek Macon IL; born 13 Jun 1882 in Long Creek Macon IL; died 14 Jul 1959 in Newdale Fremont ID.

More About Cora Alice Underwood:

Burial: Unknown, Long Creek. Macon Co. Illinois Source of Descendants: 10 Dec 2001, Gene Faulk

More About William Faulk and Cora Underwood: Marriage: 12 Oct 1904, Long Creek Macon IL **82. Missouri Ann<sup>6</sup> Ayres** (Robert Sale<sup>5</sup>, Daniel Coleman<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born Abt. 1841, and died Aft. 1910. She married **Joe Benjamin Spooner** 31 Dec 1864 in Macon Co. Illinois. He was born Abt. 1843, and died Unknown.

More About Missouri Ann Ayres: Residence: 1850, Sangamon Co. Ill

More About Joe Spooner and Missouri Ayres: Marriage: 31 Dec 1864, Macon Co. Illinois

# Children of Missouri Ayres and Joe Spooner are:

i. Frederick O.<sup>7</sup> Spooner, born Abt. 1865; died Unknown. He married Lotta F.; born Abt. 1873; died Unknown.

ii. Joseph Claud Spooner, born Abt. 1879; died Unknown. He married Etta Strope Abt. 1905; born Abt. 1884; died Unknown.

More About Joseph Spooner and Etta Strope:

Marriage: Abt. 1905

**84.** Robert Sale<sup>6</sup> Ayres (Robert Sale<sup>5</sup>, Daniel Coleman<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 02 Dec 1844 in Owen Co. Ky., and died 06 Jan 1913 in Paola, Kansas<sup>88</sup>. He married **Sarah Jacobs** 29 Jul 1873. She was born 27 May 1853 in Sangamon Co. Illinois, and died 22 Apr 1915.

# Notes for Robert Sale Ayres:

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Robert was born in Owen Co. Ky but by 1860 he was residing in Macon Co., Illinois. He located at Paola Kansas about 1869. Before the coming of railroads he hauled freight by wagon from Kansas City to Paola. Mr. Ayres was a young man when he came to Paola. Things were new and he heartily entered into the work and spirit of the new order of that day. He began in the ticket office, learning at the operator's desk and very soon became an expert in telegraphy. Strong in body, he was an all around worker at the depot, and he had no equal in the general rough and tumble of duties of that early time. He could lift heavy weights and throw big freight consignments into place in a hurry. His disposition was genial and he made friends on every hand. His promotion was gradual and when he left there he took up the line of his calling at Iola and soon after was put in charge at Garnett. The road then was the Leavenworth, Lawrence & Galveston and it was one of the main traffic ways for cattle from the Southwest. With all shippers Bob Ayres was a favorite. He entered into their business, studied their needs and was always able to make things better for them. Finally he took a notion to change. The exacting and exciting life was not just what he wanted and when the nomination for sheriff (Anderson Co.) was tendered him by the Peoples Party, he accepted it. His election came after an exciting campaign. He served the county with signal ability but, owing to the complications and rapid political changes incident to those days, he failed of re-election. The fault, however was not his, for he made an excellent official. When the oil excitement came on he actively engaged in the oil business. He organized a company, mostly of Garnett people, and began operations on a large scale. With characteristic energy he took charge of the drilling and worked long hours. Many a time he put in 12 to 15 hours without a rest. In time the company finally quit operating and the field was abandoned. Aside from his farming and oil business, he handled several estates as administrator. Every obligation was met, the estates economically handled and every penny accounted for to the heirs and creditors through the probate court. In 1909 he was elected

Mayor on the Republican ticket and he was again the Republican nominee in 1911 and re-elected by a large majority. After a sickness lasting over a year, Robert S. Ayres, mayor of Paola, died at his home, 509 South Silver Street, Monday night, 6 January 1913 about 9 o'clock. Bright's disease was the direct cause of his death and for months he had been bedfast. He was a member of the Christian Church.

More About Robert Sale Ayres:

Burial: 1913, Paola Cem.

Cause of Death: Bright's disease Fact 1: Abt. 1869, moved to Kansas

Fact 2: Mayor Paola Kansas Misc.: Photo Album page 17

Occupation: 1876, Agent for Santa Fe railroad

Residence: 1860, Living with his brother, Thomas in Macon Co. Ill.

More About Robert Ayres and Sarah Jacobs:

Marriage: 29 Jul 1873

Children of Robert Ayres and Sarah Jacobs are:

i. Clarence Lee<sup>7</sup> Ayres, born 18 Jun 1874; died 23 Apr 1894.

ii. Jesse La Verne Ayres, born 05 Nov 1878 in Kansas; died 27 Oct 1923. He married Lida Mills 17 Aug 1904; born Abt. 1879 in Kansas; died Aft. 1920.

More About Jesse La Verne Ayres:

Residence: 1920, Garnett Kansas (Anderson Co.)

More About Jesse Ayres and Lida Mills:

Marriage: 17 Aug 1904

iii. Clara Ethel Ayres, born 30 Mar 1881; died 07 Nov 1963 in Sunland Ca.. She married (1) Tom Dryden; died Unknown. She married (2) Ed Hopkins; died Unknown. She married (3) Charles Graham 22 Jul 1907 in Kansas cty, Ks; died Unknown.

More About Charles Graham and Clara Ayres:

Marriage: 22 Jul 1907, Kansas cty, Ks

iv. Bertha Edna Ayres, born 02 Oct 1883 in Garnett, Ks.; died 21 Aug 1946 in Coffeyville. She married Jacob Mitchell 08 Nov 1904 in Garnett; died Unknown.

More About Jacob Mitchell and Bertha Ayres:

Marriage: 08 Nov 1904, Garnett

v. Robert Sale Ayres, born 07 Jul 1893 in Garnett Ks.; died 26 Feb 1966 in Little Rock, Ark.. He married Beth Chaplin Marley 04 Aug 1914 in Louisberg, Ks.; died Unknown.

More About Robert Ayres and Beth Marley: Marriage: 04 Aug 1914, Louisberg, Ks.

**89.** Leonard C.<sup>6</sup> Ayres (Thomas S.<sup>5</sup>, Daniel Coleman<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 03 Feb 1831 in Springfield, Ill, and died Unknown. He married **Ella Sayre** 03 Sep 1867 in Gallatin Co. Ky., daughter of James Harvey Sayre. She was born 10 Apr 1843, and died Unknown.

# Notes for Leonard C. Ayres:

The parentage of Leonard C. Ayres has not been totally proven but there is strong circumstantial evidence for connecting him to Thomas Ayres. Leonard's oldest son was named Thomas. In 1860 Leonard was living with William S. Ayres (merchant) in Downingsville, Grant Co. Ky. He was working as a clerk. William was the brother of Thomas Ayres and the births and deaths for both are given in the William S. Ayres Bible. Leonard shows up in Grant County (1860) after the death of Thomas in 1857. The bondsman for the marriage of Thomas Ayres to Lucy Howard in 1830 Gallatin Co. was Leonard D. Howard.

Later additional confirmation was found: The 1850 census for Sangamon Co. Illinois gives the family of Thomas Ayres 43 Farmer, born Ky, Lucy 46, Leonard 20, Farmer born Ill. Nearby were the nephew and niece of Thomas-Thomas 18 and Missouri 9.

More About Leonard C. Ayres:

Occupation: Farmer Warsaw Ky Residence: 1900, Gallatin Co. Ky.

More About Leonard Ayres and Ella Sayre:

Marriage: 03 Sep 1867, Gallatin Co. Ky.

# Children of Leonard Ayres and Ella Sayre are:

i. Thomas Denton<sup>7</sup> Ayres, born 19 Aug 1868; died 26 Aug 1870.

ii. Temple D. Ayres, born 20 Dec 1870; died 1943. He married Cora J. Ellis 1898 in Gallatin Co. Ky.; born May 1879; died Unknown.

More About Temple D. Ayres: Occupation: Undertaker in Warsaw

More About Temple Ayres and Cora Ellis:

Marriage: 1898, Gallatin Co. Ky.

iii. Erroll Bertie Ayres, born 10 Nov 1872; died Unknown.

More About Erroll Bertie Ayres: Occupation: Merchant in Louisville

iv. Delmar W. Ayres, born 17 May 1876; died 07 Apr 1938. He married Anna L. Poland Abt. 1905;
 born 15 Oct 1883; died 30 Dec 1953.

More About Delmar W. Ayres: Burial: Unknown, Glencoe Cemetery Occupation: Farmer near Warsaw

More About Delmar Ayres and Anna Poland:

Marriage: Abt. 1905

**91.** Mary Elizabeth<sup>6</sup> Ayres (Sandford B.<sup>5</sup>, Daniel Coleman<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 23 Dec 1842 in Ky, and died 29 Jan 1927 in Macon Co. Illinois. She married **Doctor Turpin** Jan 1869 in Sangamon Co. Illinois, son of Robison Turpin and Rachel Powell. He was born 10 Sep 1841 in Brownsburg Hendricks Co. IN, and died 30 Apr 1913 in Macon Co. Illinois.

More About Doctor Turpin and Mary Ayres: Marriage: Jan 1869, Sangamon Co. Illinois

Children of Mary Ayres and Doctor Turpin are:

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i. Ida Mae<sup>7</sup> Turpin, born 16 Sep 1869 in Sangamon Co. Illinois; died 22 May 1946 in Sangamon Co. Illinois.

ii. Clara Elizabeth Turpin, born 15 Feb 1872 in Macon Co. Illinois; died 24 Sep 1961 in Illinois. She married (1) J. C. Hall; born 1838 in Va.; died 1907 in Illinois. She married (2) Oliver Gould Oct 1909 in Illinois; born 15 Jun 1873 in Marion Co. Illinois; died 28 Feb 1951 in Illinois.

More About J. C. Hall: Occupation: MD

More About Oliver Gould and Clara Turpin:

Marriage: Oct 1909, Illinois

iii. William Clarence Turpin, born 06 Jun 1877 in Macon Co. Illinois; died 24 Dec 1955 in Illinois. He married Ella Fumbill 1897 in Illinois; born 1878 in Randolf Co. Illinois; died Unknown.

More About William Turpin and Ella Fumbill:

Marriage: 1897, Illinois

iv. Alice Rose Turpin, born 10 Mar 1879 in Macon Co. Illinois; died 15 Aug 1945 in Illinois. She married Oscar D. Phillips 29 Jul 1903 in Illinois; born 1873 in Coshocton Co. Ohio; died Unknown.

More About Oscar Phillips and Alice Turpin:

Marriage: 29 Jul 1903, Illinois

**93.** Sarah Catherine<sup>6</sup> Ayres (Sandford B.<sup>5</sup>, Daniel Coleman<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 16 Apr 1848 in Kentucky, and died 05 May 1923 in Hendrick Co. Indiana. She married **Thomas Granville Bullock** 10 Aug 1868 in Sangamon Co. Illinois, son of John Bullock and Sarah. He was born 26 Mar 1846 in Putnam Co. IN, and died 18 May 1915 in Brownsburg Hendricks Co. IN.

More About Sarah Catherine Ayres:

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More About Thomas Bullock and Sarah Ayres:

Marriage: 10 Aug 1868, Sangamon Co. Illinois

Children of Sarah Ayres and Thomas Bullock are:

i. William Francis<sup>7</sup> Bullock, born 05 May 1869 in Oreana Macon Co. Illinois; died Aug 1942 in Crawfordsville IN. He married Mary Amanda Rainey 02 Oct 1892 in Macon Co. Illinois; born Abt. 1870 in Illinois; died Unknown.

More About William Bullock and Mary Rainey: Marriage: 02 Oct 1892, Macon Co. Illinois

 Cora Alethea Bullock, born 02 Jan 1874 in Oreana Macon Co. Illinois; died 31 May 1942 in Brownsburg Hendricks Co. IN. She married Elbert Turpin 01 Oct 1899 in Oreana Macon Co. Illinois; born 17 Sep 1870 in Brownsburg Hendricks Co. IN; died 08 Feb 1962 in Brownsburg

Hendricks Co. IN.

More About Elbert Turpin and Cora Bullock: Marriage: 01 Oct 1899, Oreana Macon Co. Illinois

201 iii. Henry Guy Bullock, born 19 Oct 1876 in Macon Co. Illinois; died 11 Dec 1958 in Macon Co. Illinois. He married Fannie Martha Reed 13 Feb 1902 in Illinois; born 25 Feb 1880 in Decatur Illinois; died 1962 in Decatur Illinois.

More About Henry Bullock and Fannie Reed:

Marriage: 13 Feb 1902, Illinois

iv. Illa J. Bullock, born 1880 in Illinois; died 1881 in Illinois.

**96.** Francis W.<sup>6</sup> Ayres (Sandford B.<sup>5</sup>, Daniel Coleman<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 14 Oct 1861, and died 1934. He married **Rose Ayres**. She was born Abt. 1860 in Missouri, and died Unknown.

Children of Francis Ayres and Rose Ayres are:

i. Vicki<sup>7</sup> Ayres, born 1892 in Kansas; died Unknown.

ii. Georgie Ayres, born 1894 in Kansas; died Unknown.

**100. John William**<sup>6</sup> **Ayres** (William S.<sup>5</sup>, Daniel Coleman<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 07 Mar 1843 in Grant Co., KY, and died 10 Apr 1903 in Palmer, KS. He married **Artimisa Bennett** 23 Jan 1862 in KY, daughter of William Bennett and Mary Smith. She was born 11 Jun 1845 in Garrard Co., KY, and died 30 Jun 1899 in Washington, KS.

### Notes for John William Ayres:

John Ayres is believed to be an adopted son of William S. Ayres. John Osborn was living with William & Sarah Ayres in 1850 (age 7) and 1860 (age 17]. John was working as a clerk. These ages are very consistent with the birth of 7 March 1843 given for John William Ayres by a descendant. John Ayres showed up on the Grant Co. tax list by 1865 which is exactly as expected for the age of John Osborn. He was listed next to William S. Ayres on the tax list. John and William S. Ayres appear in Grant County through 1869. Also John W. Ayres was born a year and eight months before William and Sarah married. Further there is no indication that there were any children born to William and Sarah making it more likely that they did adopt John Osborn and raise him as their own.

More About John William Ayres: Burial: Unknown, Washington, KS

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Occupation: 1870, Hotel Keeper Switzerland Co. Indiana

Residence: Roberts ID

More About John Ayres and Artimisa Bennett:

Marriage: 23 Jan 1862, KY

### Children of John Ayres and Artimisa Bennett are:

i. John William<sup>7</sup> Ayres, born 07 Oct 1862 in Grant Co. Ky.; died 10 Sep 1931 in Market Lake Fremont Co. ID. He married (1) Amelia Johnson 13 Nov 1881; died Unknown. He married (2)

Sarah Louisa Adams 09 Jan 1892; died Unknown.

More About John William Ayres:

Residence: Roberts Idaho<sup>89</sup>

More About John Ayres and Amelia Johnson:

Marriage: 13 Nov 1881

More About John Ayres and Sarah Adams:

Marriage: 09 Jan 1892

ii. Minnie Irene Ayres, born 04 Aug 1866 in Grant Co. Ky.; died 14 Oct 1918 in Washington Co. KS. She married Samuel T. Rutherford; died Unknown.

iii. James Wesley Ayres, born 13 Jun 1868 in Grant Co. Ky.; died 12 Jun 1951 in Los Angeles, CA. He married (1) Carrie Ferguson; died Unknown. He married (2) Stella May Evans 01 Jan 1892; died Unknown.

More About James Ayres and Stella Evans:

Marriage: 01 Jan 1892

- iv. Simeon Ayres, born 12 Dec 1869; died Unknown.
- v. Tine Sale Ayres, born 18 Aug 1872; died Unknown.
- vi. Mary Ann Ayres, born 05 Mar 1877 in Washington Co. KS; died 19 Feb 1972 in Washington Co. KS. She married (1) R. M. Ellwell 06 Dec 1895; died Unknown. She married (2) Fred Marsh 1902; died Unknown.

More About R. Ellwell and Mary Ayres:

Marriage: 06 Dec 1895

More About Fred Marsh and Mary Ayres:

Marriage: 1902

- vii. Charlie Ayres, born 08 Feb 1880 in Washington Co. KS; died 29 Jan 1888 in Washington Co. KS.
- viii. Georgia May Ayres, born 18 Jun 1882 in Washington Co. KS; died Sep 1962 in Kansas City MO. She married J. W. Edwards; died Unknown.
- ix. Claudia Opal Ayres, born 25 Jul 1884 in Washington, KS; died Jun 1972 in Danville, Hendricks Co. IN. She married (1) Bowman Abt. 1907; died Unknown. She married (2) Leonard H. Holston 1914; died Unknown.

More About Claudia Opal Ayres:

Burial: Unknown, Terre Haute, IN

More About Bowman and Claudia Ayres:

Marriage: Abt. 1907

More About Leonard Holston and Claudia Ayres:

Marriage: 1914

- 214 x. Fred Ayres, born 09 Jun 1886 in Washington Co. KS; died 30 Mar 1957 in Kennewick, WA.
- **103.** Sanford Coleman<sup>6</sup> Ayres (Daniel Coleman<sup>5</sup>, Daniel Coleman<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 16 Apr 1867 in Henry Co. Ky., and died 23 Jul 1942 in Franklin Co. Ky.. He married **Emma Jo Renfro** 16 Oct 1895 in Owen Co. Ky., daughter of Sam Renfro. She was born 31 Oct 1876, and died 18 Feb 1933.

More About Sanford Coleman Ayres:

Burial: 25 Jul 1942, Peaks Mill

Cause of Death: Bright's Disease Paralysis

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Residence: 1870, Whitmore Township Macon Co. Ill.

Source to Father: 1942, Dc 15627

More About Sanford Ayres and Emma Renfro:

Marriage: 16 Oct 1895, Owen Co. Ky.

#### Children of Sanford Ayres and Emma Renfro are:

i. Eula V.<sup>7</sup> Ayres, born 27 Sep 1896; died Unknown. She married Frank Cohorn; born 1895; died 31 Jul 1947.

216 ii. Beulah Ayres, born 27 Sep 1896; died Unknown. She married Davis; died Unknown.

217 iii. Dennis Samuel Ayres, born 24 Nov 1899 in Franklin Co. Ky; died 11 Jul 1987. He married (1) Mary Bell Riddle; born 1905; died 1926. He married (2) Laura Cummins Carrier 24 Mar 1933 in Shelbyville, Ky; born Abt. 1899 in Scott Co. Ky; died Unknown.

More About Dennis Samuel Ayres:

Misc.: Ss:1898

Occupation: Mechanic

Residence: Last res-Pittsburg, Texas

More About Dennis Ayres and Laura Carrier: Marriage: 24 Mar 1933, Shelbyville, Ky

iv. Vera Ayres, born 04 Mar 1903; died 19 Sep 1984. She married Alex Toth; died Unknown.

More About Vera Ayres:

Residence: 1984, Franklin Co. Ky.

v. Fannie Mae Ayres, born 12 Jan 1912 in Scott Co. Ky; died 28 Apr 1974. She married Harmon Moore; died Unknown.

More About Fannie Mae Ayres: Residence: 1974, Fayette Co. Ky.

- vi. Arthur Ayres, born 14 Nov 1914; died 16 Dec 1916.
- 221 vii. John Alfred Ayres, born 26 Dec 1918; died 11 Oct 1983.

More About John Alfred Ayres: Residence: 1983, Meade Co. Ky.

**106. Permelia Malinda<sup>6</sup> Ayres** (Daniel Coleman<sup>5</sup>, Daniel Coleman<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 06 Jul 1872 in Owen Co. Ky., and died 05 Nov 1918 in Franklin co. Ky.. She married **Stephen R. Marrs** Abt. 1893. He was born Apr 1870, and died Unknown.

More About Permelia Malinda Ayres:

Burial: 08 Nov 1918, Frankfort Cemetery Section O

Cause of Death: pulmonary tuberculosis Residence: 1910, Bloomfield Nelson Co. Ky.

Source to Father: 1918, Dc 38842

More About Stephen Marrs and Permelia Ayres:

Marriage: Abt. 1893

Children of Permelia Ayres and Stephen Marrs are:

i. William S.<sup>7</sup> Marrs, born May 1894; died 24 Nov 1978.

More About William S. Marrs: Residence: 1978, Oldham Co. Ky

- ii. Mary H. Marrs, born Dec 1898; died Unknown.
- iii. Annie R. Marrs, born Dec 1898; died Unknown.
- iv. Allie Marrs, born Abt. 1904; died Unknown.
- v. Charles Marrs, born 1909; died Unknown.
- vi. Christine Marrs, born Private.
- **113.** Catherine<sup>6</sup> Wilhoite (Telitha J.<sup>5</sup> Ayres, Daniel Coleman<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born Abt. 1855 in Henry Co. Ky., and died Unknown. She married **Hensley**. He died Unknown.

More About Catherine Wilhoite:

Residence: Cincinnati

Children of Catherine Wilhoite and Hensley are:

- i. Martha<sup>7</sup>, died Unknown. She married Hall; died Unknown.
- ii. Eve, died Unknown. She married Hall; died Unknown.
- **117.** Frances Bell<sup>6</sup> Wilhoite (Telitha J.<sup>5</sup> Ayres, Daniel Coleman<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 12 Sep 1860, and died 24 Feb 1940. She married **Solomon T. Thompson** 22 Dec 1876 in Owen Co. Ky.. He was born Abt. 1853 in Ky, and died Aft. 1910.

More About Frances Bell Wilhoite:

Residence: 1910, Alabama St. Marion Co. IN, Indianapolis

More About Solomon T. Thompson: Medical Information: Club-footed

Misc.: Father from Dublin Ireland

More About Solomon Thompson and Frances Wilhoite:

Marriage: 22 Dec 1876, Owen Co. Ky.

Children of Frances Wilhoite and Solomon Thompson are:

- i. Coleman<sup>7</sup> Thompson, died Unknown.
- 231 ii. Will Thompson, died Unknown.
- 232 iii. Robert W. Thompson, born Abt. 1888; died Unknown.
- iv. Myrtle Thompson, born 03 Apr 1895; died 08 Oct 1993 in Indianapolis. She married Kreitlein; died Unknown.
- v. Beulah Jesse Thompson, born 27 Dec 1897; died 27 May 1911.
- vi. Shelby Thompson, born Abt. 1901; died Unknown.

**118.** Nancy Sally<sup>6</sup> Wilhoite (Telitha J.<sup>5</sup> Ayres, Daniel Coleman<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born Apr 1863 in Kentucky, and died 1945 in Indianapolis. She married **John Bartlett Thompson** 04 Dec 1881 in Owen Co. Ky., son of Granville Thompson and Luvinia Mason. He was born 25 Jun 1851, and died 04 Apr 1921.

# Notes for Nancy Sally Wilhoite:

Nancy was tall, slim, fair-complected with a nice disposition and sense of humor. Nancy, a hypochondriac was given sugar pills by the doctor. She was "sick" until the doctor pulled all of her teeth. One of her sisters played the fiddle for square dances. Like her mother she got out of bed, stood up, said she was dying, and passed away.

# Notes for John Bartlett Thompson:

His ancestors are said to have come from Belfast or Dublin Ireland.

More About John Bartlett Thompson:

Occupation: Tobacco Auctioneer

Residence: 1900, North Owenton Precinct

More About John Thompson and Nancy Wilhoite:

Marriage: 04 Dec 1881, Owen Co. Ky.

Misc: Two babies still-born

#### Children of Nancy Wilhoite and John Thompson are:

i. Mary<sup>7</sup> Thompson, born 1882; died Unknown.

More About Mary Thompson: Cause of Death: Still Born

ii. Robert Thompson, born 1884; died Unknown.

More About Robert Thompson: Cause of Death: Died as Baby

238 iii. Ora David Thompson, born 10 Mar 1886; died 18 Dec 1957. He married Loulie Jennings; born Abt. 1888; died Unknown.

More About Ora David Thompson: Burial: Unknown, Poplar Grove Cemetery

iv. Hallie Thompson, born 1889; died Unknown.

More About Hallie Thompson: Cause of Death: Still Born

v. Allie Thomas Thompson, born Mar 1891 in Hallam, Owen Co., Kentucky; died 06 Aug 1977. She married Granville Kemper Abt. 1907; born Abt. 1890; died Unknown.

More About Allie Thomas Thompson: Residence: 1910, Gallatin Co. Sparta

More About Granville Kemper and Allie Thompson:

Marriage: Abt. 1907

vi. Lillian "Lilly" Beatrice Thompson, born 25 May 1893; died Jul 1982. She married Joe Weldon; died Unknown.

vii. Lonnie Thompson, born Mar 1896; died 1959.

viii. Dewey Thompson, born Dec 1898; died 1957.

119. Sarah E.<sup>6</sup> Ayres (Samuel M.<sup>5</sup>, Daniel Coleman<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 22 Dec 1861 in Owen Co. Ky., and died 10 Jan 1938 in Muncie, Indiana. She married **Valora Black Johnson** 04 Apr 1889 in Owen Co. Ky.. He was born Jun 1844, and died Aft. 1920.

More About Sarah E. Ayres:

Occupation: 1910, Seamstress & kept boarders

Residence: 1911, Muncie, IN

More About Valora Johnson and Sarah Ayres:

Marriage: 04 Apr 1889, Owen Co. Ky.

# Children of Sarah Ayres and Valora Johnson are:

i. Vernie<sup>7</sup> Johnson, born 1887; died Unknown.

Notes for Vernie Johnson:

It's not certain if his birth year is correct or if he came from this marriage.

245 ii. Byrnes S. Johnson, born Sep 1893; died Unknown. He married Glenna; born Abt. 1899; died Unknown.

More About Byrnes S. Johnson:

Occupation: 1910, Machine operator at Glass factory

246 iii. Norman L. Johnson, born Aug 1895 in Kentucky; died Unknown. He married Ada; born Abt. 1900 in Kentucky; died Unknown.

More About Norman L. Johnson:

Occupation: 1910, Machine Operator at Glass factory Residence: 1920, Delaware Co., Muncie, Indiana Pa

- 247 iv. Henry Dewey Johnson, born 1898; died Unknown.
- v. Leona P. Johnson, born Abt. 1901; died Unknown.

**120. John Thomas**<sup>6</sup> **Ayres** (James Thomas<sup>5</sup>, Lewis<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 23 May 1870, and died 27 Aug 1894. He married **Ida B. Hammond** 30 Jul 1892. She was born Dec 1872, and died Unknown.

More About John Thomas Ayres:

Burial: Unknown, Macedonia B. C. Jonesville

More About John Ayres and Ida Hammond:

Marriage: 30 Jul 1892

# Children of John Ayres and Ida Hammond are:

i. Samuel<sup>7</sup> Ayres, born Aug 1892; died Unknown.

250 ii. Bessie Ayres, born 16 Nov 1893; died 09 Apr 1894.

More About Bessie Ayres:

Burial: Unknown, Macedonia B. C. Jonesville

121. Buenos Edward<sup>6</sup> Ayres (James Thomas<sup>5</sup>, Lewis<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 28 Mar 1872 in Grant Co. Ky., and died 20 Dec 1955 in Carroll County Ky. He married (1) Georgia Ann Chandler Bef. 1898, daughter of George Chandler and Rebecca Mcpherron. She was born 1874, and died 1908. He married (2) Dora Cobb Bef. 1914, daughter of Jasper Cobb and Lina O'Banion. She was born 1889 in Owen, and died 10 Feb 1924 in Owen Co. Ky.. He married (3) Martha Bell Mefford 01 Feb 1930. She was born 14 Jan 1892, and died Unknown.

More About Buenos Edward Ayres:

Burial: Unknown, Owenton Cemetery

Fact 1: Photo Album page 2

Misc.: Owned house in New Liberty 1916-1950 that was featured in newspaper;now owned by

Bobby & Linda Webster Occupation: Land Trader

More About Buenos Ayres and Georgia Chandler:

Marriage: Bef. 1898

More About Buenos Ayres and Dora Cobb:

Marriage: Bef. 1914

More About Buenos Ayres and Martha Mefford:

Divorce: 1942

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Marriage: 01 Feb 1930

# Children of Buenos Ayres and Georgia Chandler are:

i. Guy Dewey<sup>7</sup> Ayres, born May 1898 in Owen; died 31 Jul 1962. He married Mary Hawkins Greene 05 Dec 1920 in Owen Co. Ky.; born Abt. 1901 in Owen; died 18 Dec 1990.

Notes for Guy Dewey Ayres:

He owned the farm (Hawkins) (Green) where my maternal grandparents lived at one time. This farm was very near the farm where we later lived. In 1938 Dewey was on the Boy Scout Troop committee at New Liberty.

More About Guy Dewey Ayres:

Fact 1: Dec 1942, moved frm Louisville to New Liberty home

Misc.: Photo Album page 4

Occupation: 1930, Fertilizer Salesman

More About Guy Ayres and Mary Greene: Marriage: 05 Dec 1920, Owen Co. Ky.

252 ii. Cecil Edward Ayres, born 17 Oct 1904 in Owen Co. Ky.; died 09 Aug 1978 in O.C.M.H. He

married Leota Mae McClain 04 Jul 1935; born 03 Jan 1912 in Shelby Co.; died 23 Jun 2000 in Owenton Manor.

Notes for Cecil Edward Ayres:

He graduated form Cumberland College in 1928 and U. K. in 1932. He was in the orchestra at U. K. and received a degree in microbiology. He had planned to be a physician. He was a member of the Owen Co. Board of Education for 16 years, serving 14 years as chairman. He received a Louisville Times Forestry award for a tree planting program. He was featured as "Mr. Walnut of Kentucky" in an article appearing in Kentucky Farm Journal Magazine and the Lexington Herald. He was a Kentucky Colonel. Ed Ayres played the fiddle and his fiddle bow is on display in Owenton with Bill Livers' fiddle.

More About Cecil Edward Ayres:

Burial: Unknown, Owenton Fact 1: Res New Liberty Misc.: Photo Album page 4

Occupation: Farmer-lived across from New Liberty Elementary

Religion: New Liberty Christian

More About Cecil Ayres and Leota McClain:

Marriage: 04 Jul 1935

# Children of Buenos Ayres and Dora Cobb are:

i. Howard D.<sup>7</sup> Ayres, born 13 Jul 1914 in Owen; died 17 Jul 1914 in Owen.

More About Howard D. Ayres: Cause of Death: premature 6 mo baby

254 ii. James C. Ayres, born 13 Jul 1914; died 23 Jul 1914.

More About James C. Ayres:

Cause of Death: premature 6 mo baby

255 iii. Harold Ray Ayres, born 08 Apr 1916; died 08 Dec 1977. He married Eunice Bishop 1935 in Owen Co. Ky.; born 08 Jul 1920; died 27 Aug 1973.

More About Harold Ray Ayres:

Burial: Unknown, I.O.O.F. Cemetery at Owenton

More About Harold Ayres and Eunice Bishop:

Marriage: 1935, Owen Co. Ky.

256 iv. Willedna Ayres, born Private. She married James Adam Tingle Private; born Private.

More About James Tingle and Willedna Ayres:

Private-Begin: Private

122. William Jasper<sup>6</sup> Ayres (James Thomas<sup>5</sup>, Lewis<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 13 Dec 1873, and died 21 Jul 1925 in His Home. He married (1) Minnie Jones Chandler 08 Nov 1894, daughter of Morgan Chandler and Rebecca Mcpherron. She was born 11 Jun 1879 in Owen, and died 19 Nov 1917 in Owen. He married (2) Artie Missie Wright Butts 08 Nov 1918 in Covington Ky., daughter of Ben Wright and Mary Noel. She was born 15 Sep 1876 in Owen, and died 22 Jul 1920. He married (3) Florence M. Carter 06 Nov 1922 in Owen Co. Ky.. She was

born 1876, and died 24 Mar 1966 in Owen Co. Ky..

More About William Jasper Ayres:

Misc.: Raised his family on Snell Road farm Source to Mother: 1925, Death Certificate<sup>90</sup>

Notes for Minnie Jones Chandler:

Jones may be a clue to further research. Joseph Jones married Sarah Chandler 1779. He was a soldier and lived in Owen Co.

More About Minnie Jones Chandler:

Burial: 21 Nov 1917, Owenton

Cause of Death: pulmonary tuberculosis

More About William Ayres and Minnie Chandler:

Marriage: 08 Nov 1894

More About Artie Missie Wright Butts:

Burial: 24 Jul 1920, Poplar Grove

Medical Information: Hodgkins Disease

More About William Ayres and Artie Butts: Marriage: 08 Nov 1918, Covington Ky.

More About William Ayres and Florence Carter:

Marriage: 06 Nov 1922, Owen Co. Ky.

### Children of William Ayres and Minnie Chandler are:

i. Uval Morgan<sup>7</sup> Ayres, born 21 Apr 1896; died 14 Apr 1967 in Fayette Co. Ky.. He married Victoria Cammack Abt. 1920; born 18 Oct 1903 in Owen; died 02 Mar 1986 in Florence.

Notes for Uval Morgan Ayres:

Uval was born in the Jonesville-Sweet Owen area and lived on Stephens Creek.

More About Uval Morgan Ayres:

Medical Information: Had Parkinson Disease

Military service: WW I Occupation: Farmer

More About Uval Ayres and Victoria Cammack:

Marriage: Abt. 1920

ii. Sylvia Edith Ayres, born 08 Sep 1897; died 13 Sep 1957. She married Leonard Snell Abt. 1913; born 01 Jun 1889; died 13 May 1979.

More About Sylvia Edith Ayres: Misc.: Photo Album page 4

More About Leonard Snell:

Burial: Unknown, Owenton Cemetery Religion: Macedonia Baptist Church More About Leonard Snell and Sylvia Ayres:

Marriage: Abt. 1913

iii. Arline William Ayres, born 17 Feb 1899 in Owen Co. Ky.; died 24 Jan 1979 in Owen Co. Ky.. He married Allie Mae Martin 31 Aug 1918; born 28 Nov 1900 in Grant Co. Ky.; died 19 Aug 1996.

Notes for Arline William Ayres:

Arline was a well-known citizen of Sweet Owen, Owen County. He was a retired farmer, former county magistrate, and a deacon at Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church . For 25 years he was a director and part of that time secretary of Owen Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation as well as a Peoples Bank & Trust Co. director. He had assisted in securing the RECC for the area. He was past president of Owen Farm Bureau and for 20 years was a member of Kentucky Burley Tobacco Association. Before his death he and his wife had celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary.

More About Arline William Ayres: Burial: Unknown, IOOF Owenton Cause of Death: Heart Condition Misc.: Photo Album page 4 Occupation: Farmer at Sweet Owen

More About Arline Ayres and Allie Martin:

Marriage: 31 Aug 1918

**123.** Laura B.<sup>6</sup> Ayres (James Thomas<sup>5</sup>, Lewis<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 1875, and died 1965. She married **John H. Beatty** 1898 in Jonesville (license prb Kenton), son of Lemuel Beatty and Armilda MaCintire. He was born 06 Nov 1868 in Owen Co. Ky., and died 13 Nov 1951 in Oldham Co. Ky.

More About Laura B. Ayres:

Burial: Unknown, Hillcrest Cemetery at Dry Ridge Ky (C42)

Misc.: 1896, Visited her uncle Joe Franks

Residence: 1910, Owen Co. Ky.

More About John H. Beatty:

Burial: Unknown, Hillcrest Cemetery at Dry Ridge (38/41/55;84/35/19)

More About John Beatty and Laura Ayres:

Marriage: 1898, Jonesville (license prb Kenton)

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Child of Laura Ayres and John Beatty is:

i. Mary Virtue<sup>7</sup> Beatty, born 23 Mar 1908; died 25 Dec 1995 in Clearwater Florida. She married W. F. Collins; died Unknown.

Notes for Mary Virtue Beatty:

Birth and death from SS death records seem to fit this Mary. Mary V. daughter of Laura was 2 in 1910 census.

More About W. F. Collins:

Misc.: Drove a Packard Automobile Occupation: Procter & Gamble Cincinnati **124. George W.<sup>6</sup> Ayres** (Lewis Samuel<sup>5</sup>, Lewis<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 10 Oct 1853, and died 14 Feb 1934 in Shelby Co. Ky.. He married **Elmina Melinnet Boulton** Abt. 1880, daughter of Robert Boulton and Malinda Clark. She was born 06 Oct 1864 in Owen Co. Ky., and died 23 Nov 1952 in Henry Co. Ky..

# Notes for George W. Ayres:

In 1900 the family lived in Owen Co. in West Owenton Precinct [near Charlie Ayres, George's cousin]. The family moved from Owen Co. to Shelby County Kentucky [1900-1910]. In 1910 they were living in North Shelbyville precinct on Burke's Branch Road with the family consisting of George, Elmina, Carey, Jacob A., Ross, George, Jr, Lillian P., Florian C., and Ira G. In 1920 the family lived in North Shelbyville Precinct, Shelby County on the State Pike near the Old Mason's Home. In 1930 George lived in Eminence [Henry Co. Ky].

More About George W. Ayres: Burial: Unknown, Eminence

Cause of Death: arterioscelerosis/ cerebral hemorrage

Misc.: Photo Album page 6- children Residence: 1930, King Street Eminence

More About Elmina Melinnet Boulton: Burial: 25 Nov 1952, Eminence Cemetery Cause of Death: Cerebral thrombosis

More About George Ayres and Elmina Boulton:

Marriage: Abt. 1880

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## Children of George Ayres and Elmina Boulton are:

i. Allie<sup>7</sup> Ayres, born Aug 1882; died Unknown.

ii. Lamkin Cary Ayres, born 17 Jan 1886 in Owen Co. Ky.; died 18 Feb 1963 in Shelby Co. Ky. He married Nellie M. Cull 07 Mar 1911 in Shelbyville, Ky; born Abt. 1894; died Unknown.

Notes for Lamkin Cary Ayres:

His name is spelled this way on his WWI draft registration card.

More About Lamkin Cary Ayres: Occupation: 1911, Farmer

More About Lamkin Ayres and Nellie Cull:

Divorce: 1930

Marriage: 07 Mar 1911, Shelbyville, Ky

263 iii. Jacob Alexander Ayres, born 15 Jan 1890 in Owen Co. Ky.; died 26 Apr 1973 in Shelby Co. Ky.. He married Inez Pickett 27 Jan 1933 in Shelbyville, Ky; born 04 Jul 1889 in Owen Co. Ky.; died Apr 1975.

More About Jacob Alexander Ayres:

MILITARY: WW1

Misc.: He named no children in his will.

Occupation: At age 27 he was a farm laborer employed by J. A. Stanley of Shelby Co.

Residence: 1973, Henry Co. Ky.

More About Jacob Ayres and Inez Pickett: Marriage: 27 Jan 1933, Shelbyville, Ky

264 iv. Edward Ross Ayres, born 09 Oct 1892; died 07 Oct 1966.

More About Edward Ross Ayres:

MILITARY: WW1

v. George William Ayres, born 03 Sep 1895 in Owenton, Ky; died 14 Sep 1979 in Jefferson.

More About George William Ayres: Medical Information: Defective heart

MILITARY: WW1

Misc.: He probably did not marry.

Occupation: 1930, Section Hand Railroad

Residence: 1979, Henry Co. Ky.

vi. Etta Mae Ayres, born 30 Aug 1898 in Owen Co. Ky; died 31 Oct 1989 in Shelbyville, Ky. She married Homer M. Hockensmith, Sr.; born 25 Aug 1895; died 09 Apr 1968 in Franklin Co. Ky..

vii. Lillian P. Ayres, born 15 Jan 1900; died 18 Oct 1981 in Frankfort Manor Nursing Home.

Notes for Lillian P. Ayres:

She was not married. She was survived by one sister, Mrs. Mae Hockensmith and several nieces and nephews. Graveside services were conducted Oct 21 at the Eminence Cemetery by Rev. Michael Duncan. She had lived at New Castle.

viii. Florian Christman Ayres, born 05 Jan 1903 in Shelby Co. Ky; died 14 Mar 1979 in Jefferson Co. Ky.. He married Sibyl M. Cullin Wilson 29 Jan 1926 in Shelbyville, Ky; born 28 Jan 1908 in Henry Co. Ky; died 13 Jan 1981.

Notes for Florian Christman Ayres:

A perfectionist, he played the fiddle and guitar. He had heard of "Lum" (my gg grandfather I assume).

More About Florian Christman Ayres:

Residence: 1979, Henry Co. Ky.

More About Florian Ayres and Sibyl Wilson:

Marriage: 29 Jan 1926, Shelbyville, Ky

ix. Ira Gillman Ayres, born 01 Sep 1904; died 13 May 1966 in Jefferson Co. Ky.. He married Mary A. Willian Abt. 1926; born 26 Sep 1909; died Mar 1993.

More About Ira Gillman Ayres:

Misc.: Played fiddle and guitar; Florian H. said Ira could hear a song on the radio and then sit down and play it.

More About Ira Ayres and Mary Willian:

Marriage: Abt. 1926

**125.** John Lewis<sup>6</sup> Ayres (Lewis Samuel<sup>5</sup>, Lewis<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 22 Jan 1858 in Owen Co. Ky. at Poplar Grove, and died 17 Jul 1932 in Glencoe, Gallatin Co. Ky.. He married **Amanda Catherine Jump** 18 Nov 1886 in Grant Co. Ky., daughter of Willis Jump and

Sarah Jane. She was born Aug 1869 in Grant Co. Ky., and died 24 Mar 1917 in Gallatin Co. Ky..

## Notes for John Lewis Ayres:

He was born at Poplar Grove and spent most of his life in Owen and Gallatin counties. He married Amanda Catherine Jump of Holbrook. Ten children were born to this union and eight of them survived him. John once won a fiddlin contest in Sparta. A great granddaughter has his fiddle bow.

After an illness of two weeks, John died Sunday July 17, 1932. The funeral service was held at his home in Glencoe by Rev. Lee of Poplar Grove and burial was in the Poplar Grove cemetery.

More About John Lewis Ayres: Burial: 19 Jul 1932, Poplar Grove

Cause of Death: Heart Block

Misc.: 1932, 8 children survived him Occupation: Section worker L & N RR Source to Father: death cert 16045

More About Amanda Catherine Jump:

Burial: Unknown, Poplar Grove

Residence: Holbrook

More About John Ayres and Amanda Jump:

Marriage: 18 Nov 1886, Grant Co. Ky.

#### Children of John Ayres and Amanda Jump are:

i. Dolan<sup>7</sup> Ayres, born 03 Jul 1887 in Owen Co. Ky; died 22 Dec 1961 in Owen. He married Florence K. Roberts 1918 in Gallatin Co. Ky.; born 1897; died 25 Jun 1982.

More About Dolan Ayres:

Burial: Unknown, New Warsaw Cemetery

Occupation: 1930, Railroad Residence: 1961, Gallatin Co. Ky.

More About Florence K. Roberts:

Burial: Unknown, New Warsaw Cemetery

More About Dolan Ayres and Florence Roberts:

Marriage: 1918, Gallatin Co. Ky.

ii. Thurman Ayres, born 04 Jul 1888 in Gallatin Co. Ky; died 30 Dec 1918 in Gallatin Co. Ky. He married Stella Alcorn 1915 in Owen Co. Ky.; born Abt. 1898; died Unknown.

More About Thurman Ayres:

Burial: Unknown, Poplar Grove IOOF

Notes for Stella Alcorn: Later married a Frey (?)

More About Thurman Ayres and Stella Alcorn:

Marriage: 1915, Owen Co. Ky.

iii. Kate May Ayres, born May 1889 in Ky; died Unknown.

iv. Ethel Ayres, born Feb 1896; died Unknown.

v. Gussie L. Ayres, born Aug 1897 in Poplar Grove; died Unknown. She married Sleet; died Unknown.

vi. Carrie S. Ayres, born Abt. 1901; died Unknown.

vii. Cecil Estal Ayres, Sr., born 07 Jul 1904; died 10 Jul 1973 in Latonia, Kenton Co. Ky.. He married Alice Jane Wallace 1928 in Gallatin Co. Ky.; born 17 Dec 1912; died 21 Oct 2004.

Notes for Cecil Estal Ayres, Sr.:

Cecil is in the first or second Guinness Book of World Records for being the first person to ever drive a twenty mule team up and over Diamond Head Volcano in Hawaii.

More About Cecil Estal Ayres, Sr.: Burial: Unknown, Napoleon Cemetery

Misc.: Raised by sister Gussie Residence: 1973, Boone Co. Ky.

More About Alice Jane Wallace:

Occupation: Baker

More About Cecil Ayres and Alice Wallace:

Marriage: 1928, Gallatin Co. Ky.

viii. Vernon Ayres, born 1907; died 04 Feb 1958 in Kenton Co Ky..

More About Vernon Ayres:

Military service: 17 Jan 1941, Army WWII

ix. Jesse Ayres, born 20 Mar 1909; died 08 Jul 1975 in Kenton Co. Ky.. He married Cecil B. Breeden Private; born Private.

More About Jesse Ayres: Residence: Morning View KY

More About Jesse Ayres and Cecil Breeden:

Private-Begin: Private

279 x. Robert Yager Ayres, born 06 Jan 1911; died 06 Mar 1913 in Owen.

More About Robert Yager Ayres: Burial: 07 Mar 1913, Owen County Cause of Death: Measles with pneumonia

**126.** Martha E.<sup>6</sup> Ayres (Lewis Samuel<sup>5</sup>, Lewis<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 01 Sep 1861 in Owen Co. Ky., and died 01 Sep 1915 in Owen Co. Ky.. She married **Joseph T. Wright** Abt. 1880. He was born Mar 1862, and died Bef. 1910.

More About Martha E. Ayres:

Burial: 03 Sep 1915, Poplar Grove Cause of Death: Stomach cancer

Misc.: Dc 22977

More About Joseph Wright and Martha Ayres:

Marriage: Abt. 1880

## Child of Martha Ayres and Joseph Wright is:

i. John W.<sup>7</sup> Wright, born Oct 1883; died 1913.

More About John W. Wright: Burial: Unknown, Poplar Grove

**128.** James Thomas<sup>6</sup> Ayres (Lewis Samuel<sup>5</sup>, Lewis<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 22 Dec 1867 in Owen Co. Ky., and died 05 Sep 1936 in Owen County. He married **Polly Perry** 24 May 1899. She was born Jan 1872, and died Unknown.

# Notes for James Thomas Ayres:

Jim Ayres was blinded at about the age of 8 from sticking a stick in his eye or maybe falling on a stob. He lived near the Grant-Owen County line down a dirt road and ran a grocery store. The store was later a corn crib. Even though blind he could count money and walk over the farm. He had a lot of sheep.

. He taught his grandaughter, Nickie her ABC's and multiplication. He was a fiddle player. He had a long beard.

In 1912 James entered the Old Fiddlers contest [The News-Herald]. It was held at the graded school on Friday and Saturday. The fiddlers were from different parts of Owen and adjoining counties. For the Saturday evening program James played these selections: The Cackling Hen, The Wild Goose, Alley Foster, Herndon Miller, & Kiss Waltz.

There is a tin-type photograph of two boys holding fiddles. The photo is associated with other Ayres photographs. One of the boys has his right eye shut as does Jim in another photo. There is some resemblance to both Jim and Bob Ayres; the tin-type may be those two brothers when they were younger.

More About James Thomas Ayres: Burial: 06 Sep 1936, Holbrook Medical Information: Blind Misc.: Photo Album page 5

Source to Father: death cert 25617

## Notes for Polly Perry:

A Mrs. Polly Ayres, age 72 (date unknown) died at the home of J. D. Judy Lawrenceville on 12-12 following a long illness. She was survived by a daughter, Mrs. Ray Comer of Crittenden and a half-brother George Perry of Lusby's Mill. Services were held at Holbrook Baptist Church by Rev. Forest Taylor.

More About James Ayres and Polly Perry:

Marriage: 24 May 1899

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## Child of James Ayres and Polly Perry is:

i. Bessie Baker<sup>7</sup> Ayres, born 03 Mar 1900; died 22 Jul 1976 in St. Joseph Hospital, Lexington, Ky. She married (1) Mitchell Duvall 30 Aug 1919 in Owen Co. Ky.; born Abt. 1903; died Unknown. She married (2) Willie Sherman Wynn 19 Dec 1921 in Owen Co. Ky.; born Abt. 1886; died Unknown. She married (3) Gaines Private; born Private.

More About Bessie Baker Ayres:

Misc.: Survived by 19 grandchildren & 9 great-grandchildren

Religion: Holbrook Baptist Church

Marriage Notes for Bessie Ayres and Mitchell Duvall: by JE Enlow witnesses Claude Davis & Bessie Ellis

More About Mitchell Duvall and Bessie Ayres:

Marriage: 30 Aug 1919, Owen Co. Ky.

More About Willie Wynn and Bessie Ayres: Marriage: 19 Dec 1921, Owen Co. Ky.

More About Gaines and Bessie Ayres:

Private-Begin: Private

**131.** Roxie R.<sup>6</sup> Ayres (Lewis Samuel<sup>5</sup>, Lewis<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born Mar 1877, and died 15 Dec 1953 in Grant Co. Ky. at home on Elliston Road near Jonesville. She married (1) George W. Wright 17 Apr 1898, son of Cornelius Wright. He was born Feb 1848, and died 1911. She married (2) Albert Ross Beatty 18 Nov 1914 in Warsaw Ky., son of Robert Beatty and Mary N.. He was born 1877, and died 17 Feb 1963 in Kenton Co. Ky.

More About Roxie R. Ayres:

Burial: Unknown, Poplar Grove

Misc.: Roxie was a small woman that played a fiddle (small) and smoked a pipe

More About George W. Wright: Burial: Unknown, Poplar Grove

More About George Wright and Roxie Ayres:

Marriage: 17 Apr 1898

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More About Albert Ross Beatty: Burial: Unknown, Poplar Grove Residence: 1930, Brush Creek Pike

More About Albert Beatty and Roxie Ayres:

Marriage: 18 Nov 1914, Warsaw Ky.

## Children of Roxie Ayres and George Wright are:

i. Robert Dow<sup>7</sup> Wright, born 13 May 1899; died 11 Aug 1982 in Owen Co. Ky. He married Lucy B. Clifton; born Abt. 1907; died 07 Aug 1985 in Grant Co. Ky.

Notes for Robert Dow Wright:

His daughter said he could talk for hours about his family history. At the time of his death he had 6 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren. When he died he was a resident of Grant Co. Ky.

More About Robert Dow Wright: Burial: Unknown, Jonesville Misc.: Played the fiddle for dances

Misc.: Played the fiddle for dances Religion: Macedonia Baptist Church Residence: Calender Road

283 ii. Henry B. Wright, born Abt. 1904; died 09 Jun 1967 in Kenton Co Ky.. He married Cecil Jones;

died Unknown.

More About Henry B. Wright:

Misc.: Played fiddle

More About Cecil Jones: Misc.: Married a Beach?

## Children of Roxie Ayres and Albert Beatty are:

i. Ralph<sup>7</sup> Beatty, Sr., born Abt. 1916; died 08 Jun 1998 in Kenton Co Ky.. He married (1) Sylvia Osborne Private; born Private. He married (2) Eileen E. Houp Private; born Private.

More About Ralph Beatty, Sr.:

Burial: Unknown, Floral Hills Cemetery

Military service: WWII Army

Misc.: 4 grandchildren, 4 great grandchildren

Occupation: Carpenter

Organizations: Moose Lodge, Commander Downey-Sowder VFW Post

Residence: Taylor Mill

More About Ralph Beatty and Sylvia Osborne:

Private-Begin: Private

More About Ralph Beatty and Eileen Houp:

Private-Begin: Private

285 ii. Everett A. Beatty, born 17 Apr 1918 in Grant Co. Ky.; died 27 Dec 1990. He married Edith Osborne; born Abt. 1922; died 1999.

More About Everett A. Beatty:

Residence: 1990, Kenton Co. Ky.

Notes for Edith Osborne:

Worked at Center Lanes Bowling Alley in Newport and Value City department store in Latonia.

More About Edith Osborne:

Burial: Unknown, Jonesville Cemetery

Residence: Edgewood, Ky

**132.** Mary Elizabeth<sup>6</sup> Ayres (Christopher Columbus Sanford Bradford<sup>5</sup>, Lewis<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 18 Sep 1861 in Owen Co. Ky.<sup>91</sup>, and died 05 Nov 1943. She married **Thomas W. Morgan** 13 Jan 1880, son of Thomas Morgan and Catherine Ivy. He was born 09 Mar 1853, and died 12 Jan 1913.

More About Mary Elizabeth Ayres:

Burial: 1943, Squiresville

Misc.: Some descendants & dates given in Morgan-Ligon<sup>92</sup>

Residence: Abt. 1935, North Adams (now Main St.) Owenton Ky with relatives (4 generations)

More About Thomas Morgan and Mary Ayres:

Marriage: 13 Jan 1880

Children of Mary Ayres and Thomas Morgan are:

i. Iva Bird<sup>7</sup> Morgan, born 1882; died 28 Dec 1971. She married Samuel Thompson Ball 11 Mar 1908; born 19 Feb 1878; died 04 Oct 1962.

More About Samuel Ball and Iva Morgan:

Marriage: 11 Mar 1908

287 ii. Arvin Thornton Morgan, born 22 Sep 1884; died 03 Jul 1929. He married Virginia Mary Reeve 18 Sep 1913; born 25 Oct 1895 in Owen Co. Ky.; died 08 Dec 1978.

More About Arvin Morgan and Virginia Reeve:

Marriage: 18 Sep 1913

**133.** Charles William<sup>6</sup> Ayres (Christopher Columbus Sanford Bradford<sup>5</sup>, Lewis<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 26 Jul 1864 in Owen Co. Ky.<sup>93</sup>, and died 25 Oct 1909 in Owen Co. Ky.<sup>94</sup>. He married **Fannie Catherine Eads** May 1896<sup>95,96</sup>, daughter of James Eads and Nancy Greene. She was born 10 Apr 1878 in Gallatin Co. Ky.<sup>97</sup>, and died 18 Feb 1964<sup>98</sup>.

# Notes for Charles William Ayres:

Charlie was born in Owen County Kentucky in 1864. The exact part of the county is not known. His father was farming in the South Fork area by 1867 but maybe not much before, so Charlie might have been born at Poplar Grove. As a young man he made some money operating games at county fairs. He married Fannie Catherine Eads, daughter of James Louis and Nannie Greene Eads in May 1896. Soon afterwards Charlie & wife along with his mother-in-law and father-in-law were living on boats on the Kentucky River. James Eads had been in the construction business and worked with cutting and breaking rock. They were there to do some work on High Bridge, [High Bridge, opened in 1877, was the first cantilever bridge built on the American continent. It is a railroad bridge 1125 feet long and 275 feet tall across the Kentucky River just below the mouth of Dix River, crossing between Jessamine & Mercer counties. It was once the highest bridge in North America & the highest railroad bridge in the world. President Rutherford B. Hayes came to the dedication in 1879. Shortly after the opening a park was established as the community of High Bridge. It became a popular place to hold cultural & religious meetings. Speakers such as politician William Jennings Bryan & evangelists Billy Sunday and Sam Jones spoke there. Trainloads of people from Cincinnati, Lexington, and other northern points disembarked at High Bridge for recreation, sightseeing, & dancing.] Charlie Ayres and family had two boats on the river. One was their kitchen boat and the other housed their bedrooms. They had lines out and caught fish, part of which they traded to residents along the river (s) for vegetables. They were living on the river by May 1897 as Lena Rivers Eads, daughter of James and Nannie was born on their houseboat in that month. The first child, a daughter, of Charles and Fannie Ayres was born while they were living on the river. She apparently did not live long and was not named. She was buried on the river bank in a flower garden. The story as related in the 1970's by Lacie Ayres Marston " My daddy bought a boat that had a bedroom and a living room & my grandfather bought the kitchen boat & they both lived together & Lena, momma's baby sister was born on the boat & my sister was born the same time & she died then they come down here close to Covington but anyway while they were there they caught fish all the time then had their lines out and they would take these to the people that had gardens & things &

would trade with them they let them have the fish & they would get the garden stuff so momma & daddy when they thought they would get out in the boat . go around in little boat it was tied up & they went to pole up to something on the big boat & put their feet in the little boat and it went under but they got back they were building High Bridge making it taller". One grandson reported that Charlie won the [a] farm at South Fork gambling on a boat at High Bridge.

By April 1898 they had moved off the river and into Kenton County Kentucky as Lacie Ayres was born that month in Kenton County. While Lacie was still a baby they moved to Owen County to a farm on the South Fork Ridge [N38/33/11;W84/54/31] where Charlie Ayres built a gabled house. They farmed several hundred acres there and Charlie was also a contractor, who built one-room schoolhouses. Charlie's "Barnes Farm" joined his other farm and was West of South Fork Creek. It was also accessible from Hensley Lane. His son A. J. lived there for a time. On February 2, 1903 J. L. Eads, C. W. Ayres, and others who were stockholders were unanimously elected to the board of directors of the South Fork and Panther Lick Turnpike Co. Also at that time C. W. Ayres was elected Treasurer but resigned in November 1903. Charlie was also elected to the board of directors in 1907. In 1907 they decided to change the survey to run down the ridge by C W Ayres to the creek & across by Mrs. Ogden's to the Twin Pike. Charlie Ayres was on the board at least as late as March 1909.

Possibly from drinking water while working on a job, Charlie came down with typhoid fever and died. His death had come as quite a shock to his family. He had been ill for several weeks, but was thought to be out of danger. He suddenly became worse and lived only a few hours. The funeral services were held at his home on October 28, 1909 by Rev. J. F. Jones with the burial in the Squiresville Cemetery.

I think it was said that at the time of his death he had three schools under contract. His widow, Fannie Ayres told me that he only had to turn his hand to make money. Charles W. Ayres made his will the 6th of October 1909 [Book G page 260] which was only 19 days before he died and presumed to be after he became ill. In his will he left Fannie all his land on the East side of South Fork Creek-about 200 acres. In the event of her remarriage the 200 acres was to be divided equally among his children. In the event that his wife should remarry and then again become single & reduced to needy circumstances it was his will that she should be cared for by his children out of property they received from his estate. Charlie left to his children Lacy, Goebel, Arville, & Harvey Ayres all of his land lying West of South Fork Creek-about 234 acres. He left to his daughter, Lacie one gray mare-3 years old. He left to his son, Goebel Ayres one roan yearling mare. When his other children were as old, he desired them to receive money from his estate in order to purchase horses of equal value. He further left to his wife, Fannie one cow, 20 select ewe sheep, one black mare colt, and one surry. He appointed his wife, Fannie as the executrix of his will and for Lyman Yancey to assist her. His will was witnessed by Lymon Yancey and J. L. W. Slaughter.

Charlie's obituary in the News-Herald states that he was a prosperous farmer and a good citizen of Owen County. His sister, "Aunt Ellie" in later years spoke of what a great brother Charlie was.

More About Charles William Ayres:

Burial: 28 Oct 1909, Squiresville Cause of Death: Typhoid Fever Fact 1: 1900, Res Owen Co. Ky. Misc.: Photo Album page 10 Source to Father: Census<sup>99,100</sup>

Notes for Fannie Catherine Eads:

Fannie was born somewhere in Gallatin County Kentucky. By the time they took the 1880 census, she and her parents were residing in the Monterey area of Owen County, where her father's occupation was farmer. Next door or very closeby was her grandparents Milton & Margaret Kemper Greene. Also nearby was Frank Kemper, father of Reuben Kemper who later married Ella Ayres [sister to Charlie Ayres]. Fannie married Charlie Ayres in May 1896 but it's not known just where they got married. They were friends with Jim and Lacie Rogers and there is a picture of the two couples together probably taken about the time they married. By May 1897 [Lena was born on a boat then] Charlie, Fanny, and Fannie's parents were all living on houseboats on the Kentucky River. One boat had a kitchen and the other had bedrooms. They were there to work on High Bridge. By the time Lacie was born they were living in Kenton Co. near Brachts . Shortly afterwards they settled on a farm in Owen County at the end of the South Fork Ridge. Fannie was widowed at the age of 31 and remained for many years on this farm in the house that Charlie built. Here she raised her four children. She was baptized in September 1911 and was a member of South Fork Baptist Church. She never remarried [was going to but children didn't want her to] and survived her husband, Charlie by over 54 years. I remember her well as I was 16 when she died. I was in the house and out on the farm [maybe gathering hickory nuts]. She was buried in the Squiresville Cemetery near the back on the right. I remember we had snow flurries while we were at the cemetery.

More About Fannie Catherine Eads:

Burial: Unknown, Squiresville

Fact 1: 1880, Res Monterey Dist. Owen Co. Ky.

Misc.: Had brown eyes

Source to Parents: 1900, Census <sup>101</sup>

More About Charles Ayres and Fannie Eads:

Marriage: May 1896<sup>102,103</sup>

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## Children of Charles Ayres and Fannie Eads are:

i. Baby Daughter<sup>7</sup> Ayres, born Abt. 1897; died Abt. 1897.

More About Baby Daughter Ayres:

Burial: Unknown, A flower garden near the Ky River & High Bridge

ii. Lacie Rebecca Ayres, born 16 Apr 1898 in Brachts Station Kenton Co. Ky. <sup>104,105</sup>; died 27 Mar 1984 in Sayre Home Lexington <sup>106</sup>. She married Sherfy Lee Marston 01 Aug 1914 in Owenton, Kentucky <sup>107</sup>; born 15 Jun 1897 in Owen County Ky. <sup>108,109,110</sup>; died 23 Jan 1982 in Owen County Ky. <sup>111</sup>.

Notes for Lacie Rebecca Ayres:

#### Grandma

Grandma as her grandchildren [and others] called her was named after Lacie Rogers (her mother's friend) and her grandfather's sister, Rebecca Eads. In a paper she wrote for me she stated "Kenton County where I was born 16 April out a ridge from Bracht Station My parents moved to Owen Co. while I was a baby they bought a 300 acre farm on South Fork. I and the three boys were raised up there." Her father, Charlie Ayres built a gabled-house here at the end of the South Fork ridge. A picture of this house appears on page 23 of the Photo Album section of "The Ayres Family of Owen County Kentucky" and also on the book cover. The family appears in front of the house, left to right: Lacie, Arville, Charlie, Harvey, Goebel, and Fannie Ayres. Lacie was a long-time member of South Fork Baptist Church and was baptized 14 August 1913 along with relatives: Katie, Lizzie, Goebel, and Othel Ayres. They all united with South Fork on Aug 9, 1913 after preaching by Bro.

Ira Andrews.

From S. L. Marston Memoirs 1981, p. 9: "there was a little girl in school I fell head over heels for. her name was (Lacie R Ayres) we began to pass notes in school. that what people called pupie love. ... she told me mama is reading your letters. I had a dictionary that gave all the known languages. I wrote her in French. told her to lay it where her mother could find and wrote her the interpretation. I remember one said amota said (I love you) I think that stoped the searching Ha. our sparking days was done on foot and horseback Mr. Ayres had a new rubber tire buggy I would put my horse to her buggy then you could really see the sparks fly Ha".

At the time Lacie married she was living on the South Fork farm. She, my grandfather, Bee Bourne, and Mary Agnes Marston all eloped. [At age 13 Mary Agnes named her self. Prior to that they simply called her Sister.] They were married by Judge Walter Wilhoite. Lacie married Sherfy Lee Marston, son of James William Marston and Annie Eliza Dunavent. After she was married she and my grandfather made their home with her mother, Fannie Ayres until some time [about 2 years] after the birth of their son James. [J. B. Bourne rented the B. F. Taylor farm on the South Fork Road]. During the cold winter of 1917-18 Sherfy, Lacie & James lived on the "Hukill Place" above South Fork Creek and they lived there about 3 years. They rented it the first year and the 2nd year they bought it. Aunt Betty said [2007] one time while they were living there [Hukill Place] they had gone to visit someone and their buggy turned over. Coming back home, Sherfy let Lacie and Jimmy out to go to the house. Lacie came back out and told Sherfy that there was music playing. They went back in and upstairs there were several clocks all chiming at the same time. Apparently they had been left behind by the Hukills and regrettably the Marstons left the clocks behind when they moved also.

In the 1970's Sherfy Marston related their experience [to me] at the Hukill Place during the cold winter of 1917-18 as follows: "When we went to that Hukill Place it was an old house a pretty good house but they had boxed and stripped kitchen & dining room and that cold winter come and James William was a baby then and I cut a lot of wood that fall and it had a big fire place in it it was a big would take in a four foot stick and I went out there in the woods had a pretty nice woods I cut buckeye cut a buckeye for my backlog .. it take about a month for the bark to slip on it so that cold winter come we had a lot of canned fruit & we circled the canned fruit around the hearth & left us room enough to get in the house to the fireplace ... Lacie would go into the kitchen to cook a meal & we never had then organized just right first thing our finances kept us from it ... little box stove 4 cap stove the fire in that stove the water when she washed her hands in the wash pan pushed back on the stove & a skim of ice would freeze over in the pan now I'm telling you the facts & she would cry with her hands you know & we come in there to the fire place and all that food sitting around we just left us a little path where me & Lacie could sit in there & James he was a baby & she had him in her lap & all wrapped up & the canned fruit we had & we had a whole lot it froze on the back side away from the fire it froze & busted now that's telling it to you the facts the year 17 & 18 22 below zero a cold Saturday". They went down & stayed with Forest Gibson on the creek and took some fruit and put in his cellar [cellar is still there]. They kept lanterns burning in his cellar to keep the canned goods from freezing. They stayed there about 1 week until it warmed up. It had been 22 below zero morning to night and snow 3.5-4 feet deep everywhere! [From the News-Herald (3/26/03): Sparta 1800 by C. N. Varble: The snow started 12/7/1917 and it was not until 2/20/1918 that you could drive a car to Owenton. The Louisville Weather Station reported 50 inches of snow for the time period. The snow was over the top of fence posts and on top of that there was heavy sleet. On Dec 2, 1917 the temperature rose to 60 at Louisville, but in the next few days it dropped below zero.1

They later moved down next to the Creek on the Forest Gibson Place. The family later moved back to the South Fork Ridge for a while. They left the South Fork Community and bought the Smither Farm off KY 22 near Pleasant Home Ky. Lacie was noted as being one of the best cooks around and sometimes invited the whole church to Sunday Dinner (South Fork Baptist). Her recipe for yeast rolls appears on page 60 of the Kentucky Cook Book. Most of her time was occupied with cooking, canning and domestic chores, and being a farmer's wife. At their Owenton residence she grew a large number of violets and enjoyed all her flowers. After about 15 years at Pleasant Home, they retired and moved to the outskirts of Owenton, where they lived until my grandfather died. After that she divided her time between her son, Chester and daughter, Betty Lou. Due to advanced Alzheimer's Disease she went into the Sayre Home in Lexington where she lived until she died. You never heard her raise her voice. She thought a lot of her grandchildren and spoiled all of

them! She always enjoyed raising both indoor and outdoor flowers and had a large collection of violets. When they came over I would show her the flowers and gourds I was raising. Her secret for a long marriage was that she always let her husband do what he wanted to do. She pronounced piano as "pie ano" and England as "Angland". Her husband would often tease her as he referred to her as his "sweet bunch of onion tops".

More About Lacie Rebecca Ayres: Burial: Unknown, Owenton IOOF

Fact 1: Picture & family in Owen County Kentucky Pictorial p.86 Fact 2: Parents moved to Owen Co. while she was a baby<sup>112</sup>

Hobbies: Played piano

Religion: South Fork Baptist- taught Sunday School

Source to Mother: 1910, Owen Census 321

Source to Father: <sup>113</sup> Source to Parents: 1900<sup>114</sup>

Notes for Sherfy Lee Marston:

Pa

Barely three months had passed since the inauguration of William McKinley as president and world events had been in play that would lead to the official beginning of the Spanish-American War in the next year. This was the larger setting as Owen County tenant farmers, J. W. & Annie Marston and their daughter Laura welcomed the birth of their first son and brother, Sherfy Lee Marston on Friday 15 June 1897. At the time the family was residing 1.8 miles West of Owenton (ACF) on the Dr. Taylor farm located between the Panther Lick Pike and the South Fork Pike. Dr. Birchett was the attending physician. His exact place of birth was uncertain, until recently when a paper that he [S. L. Marston] had typed many years ago surfaced. Sherfy was named for Sherfy Bourne and his uncle "Lee" (Levi) Marston. His wife, Lacie often called him Sherf but his grandchildren [and others] called him "Pa". Of four children born to J. W. & Annie Marston, Sherfy would be the only one to both survive to adulthood and to marry. Prior to living on the Taylor place James W. Marston had hired out to Lindsey Yancey before he married. This was Lindsey Yancey's mother's place on Pink Ridge or Poor House Ridge. This ridge extended beyond Jack Welch's place in Owenton proceeding Northerly beyond Revel Slaughter and Kenneth Stewart's former residences to the mouth of Panther Lick Creek at Big Twin near Cull.

By 1900 the J. W. Marston family had moved to the Bart Jones place above Gratz and near the end of the Fairview Road. In 1903 a younger brother died here. They were cutting tobacco at the time. Sherfy asked where his brother went and his mother told him that a peddler got him. They were living here when he started school at the Carter School which was about 300 yards from where they lived. The family next moved back to South Fork (Ora Wood later lived here) to the Joe Duncan farm which was purchased 1 March 1908. This was near Sherfy's place of birth. Sherfy then attended South Fork School [approximately two miles from home] until he received a 9th grade diploma. School started at 8:30 and let out at 4:00 with a one hour dinner break. Sherfy Marston Memoirs, 1981: "All of us boys started a fox race (8) of us we got in school at 3 oclock of which the teacher made us stay in for 3 days at dinner hr. I was the fox but they didn't catch me. There was a boy from Shelby Co. come to his Grandmas to go to school at our school. he was the meanest one I ever seen allways flashing a knife around. I told him if he every come at me with that knife I would take a lump of coal and kill him. he became my best friend. ... Dick Cropper was the most aggravating one in school, he would pull the little girl's plat. I said Dick why do you keep those little girls crying. he said you want to take it up. I said yes. he come at me I had a little dinner pail In my hand of which I put a gash over his left eye about 1 In long. I came out worse, for ma said what happed to your dinner pail. I told her. she said I have told you to quit fitenig [fighting] that cost (15 c) so I got a whiping, everything went nice the bal of school. All of my life I took up for the under dog to this day."

After he had completed school, Sherfy helped his dad on the farm. Sherfy Marston Memoirs: " there was no sale for tobacco except Louisville. you prized the tobacco in hoghead and shiped it to Louisville Ky. there a large Negro took a crowbar bursted hogshead in three place for sample there the buyers bid on it. Authur Jones came up home to help prize. he brough his son Wicklef with him,

he Wicklef suggest that we chew some of the tobacco. We went to a grape harbar. My Mother (called Willie) come here the children have disappeared. That when we really stuffed our mouths with grapes, They did not stay stuffed ver long. Authur said as soon as they get the grapes out they will be all right. We never mention tobacco. so We went down to see authur & craig his wife. he said letus go down to the slough and skate. he said (Sherf) this pr will fit you. put it on up on the bank then run fast keeping both feet together. I did just that, but found out I needed an extra pr skates [a pair for his rear end]. While we were down at his house Wicklef and me went across the bottom to another Mr. Jones. We seen the most funy thing there was his cow standing at the edge of a thicket and a cow sucker snake sucking her we went to the house and told Mr. Jones what we had seen, he said Thanks to you boys My cow has been failing in her milk. He took his shot gun and stoped the sucking."

Sherfy was still living on the South Fork Road when he got married. They stayed with his mother-in-law for two years. Next they moved to the Hukill Place when James was a baby. They bought it in 1918 from the Enoch Hunt estate. It was 131 acres and they sold it in 1919 to J. H. Kelso. They were there in the cold winter of 1917-1918. The flu was also bad at that time. Sherfy Marston in his memoirs [pp 11-12] writes " In yr 1917 & 1918 was the worst yr for Flu that any one every seen Mrs. Ayres, Geoble, Harvey and A J had it they bled like stuck hogs Uncle Phil Ayres waited on them McKinley Kelso came up home and said they say if you will drink some whiskey you will not have the Flu."

After the Hukill Place they moved down the hill to the Gibson Place [bought in 1919 from Forest Gibson] on South Fork Creek, where Chester was born in 1920. Rena Morgan Gibson said she loved to hear Sherfy singing as he worked. After they owned this place, J. W. Marston owned it. His grandson, Chester Marston helped pull logs on the place. J.W. had a saw brought in and sawed logs into lumber from which he had 2 barns built there. One was above the house and had a loft. This one was where J. W. kept his sheep. Chester fed them about twice per week. One time a sheep died and a Mr. Toole took the wool from it but Chester ran him down and got the wool back. After Amy Henry [a prominent Owen Co. land owner] bought the place, he moved the barns away and possibly the house also. From the Gibson place they moved to a small 2-room house on about 5 acres, that Fannie Ayres gave them about 1923. It was just up the road from Fannie Ayreses place. Uncle Milton Marston helped and they added another large room to the house. About 1938 they moved to J. B. Bishop house. In 1939 they bought a farm near Pleasant Home from Mrs Mattie Smither for \$7000. Regarding this farm from Memoirs: "It had been wore out to where it was nearly no good. I began sewing fertilizer, phosphate, and limestone. In 5 years I could grow tobacco on any ridge. It consisting (150) acres (50) acres ridge land. It had 8 acres tobacco base. One yr I took \$7000 for tobacco alone- with 8 acres corn and some 20 acres Hay. I had lost 2 farms up to I bought the above one. "His son, Chester mowed one hill on the farm that was so steep, he had to walk along the horse-drawn mower. This hill was above where the Elmer Davis Lake would later join.

In the 1950's they bought a house from Kurt Reese and moved to the edge of Owenton. They kept the farm until 1962 when they sold it to Bill Marshall. After selling the farm he bought an old house nearby and also along Highway 22. He also built another house beside it and rented them both out. From hearing all his tenant stories it must have been as much for entertainment as it was for the income. In one of his houses the tenants took delivery of a slaughtered hog. They just laid it on the floor in the house. Apparently it stayed there for some time [presume they cut off meat as they needed it] as when they moved out, there was a greasy spot on the floor in the outline of a pig.

He wasn't much on fishing but always liked to hunt and I hunted squirrels with him some. I would yank on a grape vine and try to run squirrels out of their nest. He got into hunting groundhogs in a big way and one year he killed 349 of them!

At the age of 70 [10 July 1967] he bought a shoe repair business in Owenton from a Mr Rudder and ran it for several years until his health deteriorated. A picture of him in his shop ended up in Press- a New York Magazine. I visualize him in his later years at Owenton, sitting in his favorite chair next to the corner of the tv where he could tune in to his favorite westerns. His spitoon sat next to his chair. Sitting there he told us many stories from the "old days" and expounded on the Bible and other things. Once in a while he would break into an old song. Upstairs he had a huge stack of paper-back westerns that presumably he read before the days of tv.

He told me his mother gave him a dollar to read the Bible through and I guess that was the first time he read it but he would later read it through many times. One of his Bibles given to him in 1945 by uncle Milton Marston has recorded inside it that he read it through 12 times from 7-16-67

until 6-16-78. I don't know how many times he read it before and after those dates. I remember him quoting II Chronicles 7:14. One time Ed Hill Foster told me that Sherfy should have been a preacher. I believe he knew the Bible better than most preachers!

More About Sherfy Lee Marston: Burial: Unknown, Owenton IOOF Cause of Death: apparent heart attack Residence: 1930, South Fork Pike

Source to Parents: 1910, Census West Owenton 291 310 +Father's marriage+S<sup>115</sup>

Marriage Notes for Lacie Ayres and Sherfy Marston:

They eloped along with his cousin, Mary Agnes Marston and Bee Bourne. They were married at the courthouse by Walter Wilhoite.

More About Sherfy Marston and Lacie Ayres: Marriage: 01 Aug 1914, Owenton, Kentucky<sup>116</sup>

290 iii. Goebel Beckham Ayres, born 17 Apr 1900 in Owen Co. Ky.; died 09 Jul 1981. He married Geneva Holbrook 15 Sep 1923 in Sweet Owen; born 02 Jul 1904 in Owen Co. Ky.; died 06 Feb 1996 in O.C.M.H..

Notes for Goebel Beckham Ayres:

He owned a farm near Lusby's Mill. He had been in good health but he was bitten by his cat which proved to have rabies and he had to take shots. After that his health was never as good. After he retired the family moved to Owenton.

More About Goebel Beckham Ayres:

Occupation: 1935, Became Owenton police chief; succeeded Sam Dempsey

Religion: 14 Aug 1913, Baptized by South Fork Baptist

More About Goebel Ayres and Geneva Holbrook:

Marriage: 15 Sep 1923, Sweet Owen

Minister: Rev. E. R. Sams

Witness: Sherfy & Lacie Marston

iv. Harvey Lewis Ayres, born 25 Jun 1902 in Owen Co. Ky.; died 19 Nov 1987. He married Mable Jessie Lusby 1926; born 08 Feb 1907; died 23 Jul 2000.

Notes for Harvey Lewis Ayres:

Harvey Lewis [named for two ancestors, Harvey Eads & Lewis Ayres] was born on the family farm at the end of the South Fork Ridge. He grew up on the farm there. He had a taste for the finer things and he would rather do without than not to get the best. Back when it was a lot of money, he gave twenty dollars for a hat. His mother, Fannie who was widowed at an early age relied on her children for the farm operation. Arville J. helped his mother with her work while Harvey and Goebel did farm work. They packed logs to build the tobacco barn on the farm. Harvey was baptized in July 1916 and in April 1924 he was the Sunday School Superintendent at South Fork Baptist Church. In November 1924 he moved his letter from South Fork. Harvey had a long career as a Baptist minister, pastoring Caney Fork & Salem in Owen Co., Friendship Baptist in Harrison Co., Mt. Hebron in Garrard Co.[9 1/2 years], and Morgan Avenue in Evansville, Indiana [13 1/2 years]. I remember visiting them one time when he was pastoring the church in Evansville Indiana. At the time of his death he was a member of South Lexington Baptist Church and had taught Suday School for 15 years. Today [2007] the former building of Morgan Ave. Baptist is a Unitarian Universalist Church. The old Morgan Ave. Baptist congregation [or some] went to Emanuel Baptist Church on Green River Road. Some of them continued to stay in contact with Mable Ayres for many years.

More About Harvey Lewis Ayres:

Occupation: Baptist Minister

More About Mable Jessie Lusby:

Misc.: Ss: 1908

More About Harvey Ayres and Mable Lusby:

Marriage: 1926

v. Arville Jean Ayres, born 13 Sep 1904 in Owen Co. Ky.; died 19 Apr 1990 in Covington. He married Edna Mae Johnson 21 Nov 1925 in Owenton, Ky.; born 28 Aug 1907 in Nov1982; died 22 Nov 1982 in Kenton Co. Ky..

More About Arville Jean Ayres:

Fact 1: with AW Ayres was 1st Grade A dairy in county

Occupation: Dairy Farmer at Sweet Owen

Religion: Baptized 23 Aug 1917-South Fork; Later a member of Beech Grove Baptist

Residence: For a long time he lived on Hensley Lane

More About Arville Ayres and Edna Johnson: Marriage: 21 Nov 1925, Owenton, Ky. Misc: 1925, Married by Rev. Birchett Kemper

**134.** Estal<sup>6</sup> Ayres (Christopher Columbus Sanford Bradford<sup>5</sup>, Lewis<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 15 Jul 1867 in Owen Co. Ky., and died 30 Oct 1947. He married **Maggie Cull** 21 Oct 1888 in Owen Co. Ky., daughter of Barney Cull and Ellen Lusby. She was born 19 May 1869 in Owen, and died 09 May 1940 in Owen.

## Notes for Estal Ayres:

Estal built the last house that he lived in. They weren't able to bury Estal on the day of his funeral. They had to keep him at the funeral home in Williamstown for a week as the road through Poplar Grove was being built and it was terribly muddy. No one could get to the graveyard for several days. He played the fiddle. His nephew Don Yancey remembered him.

More About Estal Ayres:

Burial: Unknown, Poplar Grove Cemetery

## Notes for Maggie Cull:

She, her husband, daughter Allie, and others appear in a photo taken about 1893. It is the family of Barney [seated] Cull and Ellen Lusby Cull [seated by him]. Ellen is holding Ruth Cull [Ratliff]. The first girl from the left is Effie Cull [Yancey]. The first from the back right is Fannie Cull next to her husband Lyman Yancey. The 3rd from the right is Estal Ayres who is next to his wife Maggie Cull. There daughter, Allie is in front of them. This photo is on page 14, Photo Album section of The Ayres Family of Owen County Kentucky. Updated info is as follows: front row left-right Effie Bell Cull [Yancey], Florian Cull, Barney Cull, Ellen Lusby Cull holding Ruth [born Nov 1892], girl Allie Ayres [O'Banion]. Back row 1-r: Willie Cull, Woodford Cull, Hattie Cull [Yancey], Tisha Cull [Lusby], Lizzie Cull [Davis], Benjamin Yancey, Minnie Cull [Davis], Maggie Cull [Ayres], Estal Ayres, Lyman Yancey, Fannie Cull [Yancey].

She died 9 May 1940 and funeral services were held at Poplar Grove Baptist Church on May 13 by Revs. J. A. Lee and Otto Pierson. Pall bearers were Hugh Lusby, Fletcher Lusby, J. S. Lusby, Byron Cull, and Dorman Cull. Burial was at Poplar Grove Cemetery.

More About Maggie Cull:

Burial: Unknown, Poplar Grove

Cause of Death: Cerebral Hemmorhage

Religion: She was baptized by South Fork Baptist in Aug 1899

More About Estal Ayres and Maggie Cull: Marriage: 21 Oct 1888, Owen Co. Ky.

## Children of Estal Ayres and Maggie Cull are:

i. Allie Barney<sup>7</sup> Ayres, born 20 Oct 1889; died 01 Aug 1979 in Madison Indiana. She married Eugene O'Banion 28 Dec 1910; born 12 Jan 1884 in Owen Co. Ky; died 06 Nov 1982 in Madison Indiana.

More About Allie Barney Ayres:

Burial: Unknown, Wheatley Masonic Cemetery

Residence: 1920, Twin Road [probably Twin Creek Road)

Notes for Eugene O'Banion:

He was preceded in death by 5 brothers and 2 sisters.

More About Eugene O'Banion:

Burial: Unknown, Dallasburg Masonic Cemetery

Occupation: Farmer, O'Banion Market

Organizations: 50 year member of Dallasburg Masonic Lodge

Religion: North Madison Baptist Church

More About Eugene O'Banion and Allie Ayres:

Marriage: 28 Dec 1910

294 ii. Corrine Ayres, born 22 Apr 1895; died 16 Jan 1979 in Kenton Co. Ky. She married Walter B. Shirley 29 Jan 1923 in Carroll Co. Ky.; born 25 Nov 1898; died 24 Mar 1989 in Boone Co. Ky.

More About Corrine Ayres: Burial: Unknown, Forest Lawn Religion: Florence Baptist Residence: 1979, Boone Co. Ky

More About Walter B. Shirley: Misc.: Worked at P & G

More About Walter Shirley and Corrine Ayres:

Marriage: 29 Jan 1923, Carroll Co. Ky.

Misc: License prob Kenton Co

295 iii. Othel Phillip Ayres, born 26 Dec 1896; died 31 Jul 1984 in Ridgeview Nursing Home in Covington. He married (1) Carrie Shirley 1919; born 16 Jan 1895; died 28 Aug 1920. He married (2) Pauline Bishop 24 Nov 1927 in Owen Co. Ky.; born 24 Oct 1905; died 31 Dec 1996.

Notes for Othel Phillip Ayres:

I only spoke with him once and that was when he lived at Wheatley near his daughter. We were going to search for a tombstone for Lewis Ayres and I talked to him about where we might look. He played a fiddle. After he and his second wife divorced my grandmother passed their letters back and forth for them.

More About Othel Phillip Ayres: Burial: Unknown, Poplar Grove

MILITARY: WWII Army enlisted Sep 1942

Misc.: 37 year member of Dallasburg Masonic Lodge Occupation: Sheraton-Gibson Hotel Cincinnati

Religion: Poplar Grove Baptist & was baptized by South Fork Baptist 14 Aug 1913

More About Carrie Shirley: Cause of Death: Influenza-tb

Medical Information: She had influenza in May 1920; She probably had to at the time of death; died

at 4 P. M. of what seemed exhaustion or weak heart.

More About Othel Ayres and Carrie Shirley:

Marriage: 1919

More About Othel Ayres and Pauline Bishop: Marriage: 24 Nov 1927, Owen Co. Ky.

iv. Unknown Ayres, born Bef. 1900; died Bef. 1900.

v. Lena Rivers Ayres, born 06 Sep 1905; died 12 May 1999. She married Harrison Sears 29 Oct 1932 in Kenton Co. Ky; died Unknown.

Notes for Lena Rivers Ayres:

Lana Sears, 93, of Highland Heights, died Wednesday at Lakeside Place Nursing Home in Highland Heights. She was owner of Sears Stamp and Coin Shop, Covington, and a member of Trinity Episcopal Church, Covington. Her husband, Harrison Sears, preceded her in death.Survivors include several nieces and nephews.Services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at Stith Funeral Home, Florence. Visitation will begin there at 9 a.m. Saturday. Entombment will be in Highland Mausoleum, Fort Mitchell. She was first named Lena Rivers but changed her name to Lana later in life.

More About Lena Rivers Ayres:

Burial: Unknown, Lana and Harrison are buried in Highland Cemetery in Ft. Mitchell, Ky

Fact 1: Res Ft. Mitchell Misc.: No children Residence: Newport KY

More About Harrison Sears and Lena Ayres: Marriage: 29 Oct 1932, Kenton Co. Ky

**135.** Eliza Jane<sup>6</sup> Ayres (Christopher Columbus Sanford Bradford<sup>5</sup>, Lewis<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 16 Nov 1869, and died 12 Dec 1950. She married **John Henry Kelso** 23 Feb 1887 in Owen Co. Ky.. He was born Abt. 1868, and died 12 Dec 1943 in Squiresville.

More About Eliza Jane Ayres: Burial: 14 Dec 1950, Squiresville Cause of Death: Respiratory failure

Medical Information: Acidosis dehydration

Misc.: Photo Album page 11

More About John Henry Kelso:

Misc.: 1919, He's probably the same J. H. Kelso that bought the Hukill Place from S. L. Marston

Marriage Notes for Eliza Ayres and John Kelso:

Married by W. F. Smith-witnesses J. S. Plum & Joel Kemper

More About John Kelso and Eliza Ayres:

Marriage: 23 Feb 1887, Owen Co. Ky.

Children of Eliza Ayres and John Kelso are:

i. Howard G.<sup>7</sup> Kelso, born 1890; died 09 Nov 1967. He married Cordelia L. O'Banion; born 1897; died 23 May 1966.

299 ii. McKinley Kelso, born 1897; died 11 Aug 1960. He married Myrtle Hensley; born Abt. 1906; died 19 Jan 1979.

More About McKinley Kelso: Burial: Unknown, Squiresville

300 iii. Birdie Kelso, born 23 May 1903 in Owen Co. Ky.; died 11 Aug 1979 in Covington at St. Elizabeth. She married Joe Jacobs; born 1907; died Unknown.

More About Birdie Kelso: Burial: Unknown, Squiresville

Cause of Death: cancer

Education: 1924 graduate Owenton High School;1961 graduate EKU

Occupation: School teacher in Owen Co. Ky

iv. Charles William Kelso, born Abt. 1906; died 18 Nov 1973. He married Mary Frances Stewart; born 18 Apr 1917; died 10 Mar 2001.

More About Charles William Kelso: Residence: 1948. Sweet Owen

302 v. Samuel Kelso, born 1908; died 1943.

More About Samuel Kelso: Burial: Unknown, Squiresville

**136.** Lewis Phillip<sup>6</sup> Ayres (Christopher Columbus Sanford Bradford<sup>5</sup>, Lewis<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 24 Mar 1871, and died 06 Nov 1948 in Owen Co. Ky. On Twin Creek. He married **Fannie Morgan** 09 Feb 1893, daughter of John Morgan and Ann Burke. She was born 06 May 1874, and died 12 Feb 1937 in Sanders, KY.

Notes for Lewis Phillip Ayres:

Phil Ayres often came by and visited with the Sherfy Marston family and he would give Jimmy Marston a dime to shave him. During the bad flu time of 1917-18 Phil waited on Goebel, Harvey, A. J. and their mother Fannie Ayres who all had the flu. He gave my parents a type of plate for a wedding gift. Burnam McCormick remembered when he died. They were stripping tobacco up on the hill above Twin Creek (Mefford Place?) when word was sent to them. They rushed down the hill to where he lived and his daughter said he was gone and then fainted. Phil would normally have been helping them but had been slightly ill-was used to chopping wood etc. Phil's by-line was "By Golly".

More About Lewis Phillip Ayres: Burial: 08 Nov 1948, Salem Cemetery Cause of Death: Organic heart disease

Misc.: Photo Album page 12

Religion: Member of South Fork Baptist

More About Lewis Ayres and Fannie Morgan:

Divorce: About 1923 Marriage: 09 Feb 1893

# Children of Lewis Ayres and Fannie Morgan are:

i. Catherine B.<sup>7</sup> Ayres, born Aug 1896; died 12 Apr 1934 in South Fork. She married William Robert Dunavent 23 Dec 1914; born Sep 1893; died 15 Oct 1967 in Owen Co. Ky..

More About Catherine B. Ayres: Burial: Unknown, Owenton KY IOOF

Cause of Death: 2 year illness

Misc.: Funeral services by Rev. W. J. Clark at Christian Church

Religion: 14 Aug 1913, Baptized by South Fork Baptist

More About William Robert Dunavent: Burial: Unknown, Owenton KY IOOF

Occupation: Wiladean Nursery

Religion: Sparta Christian Church- chairman of the board

More About William Dunavent and Catherine Ayres:

Marriage: 23 Dec 1914

304 ii. Mary Elizabeth Ayres, born 13 Aug 1898 in Sanders, KY; died 25 Sep 1980 in Fayette Co. Ky.. She married Grover Cleveland Mefford 27 Jan 1915 in Squiresville; born 24 Mar 1895 in Sanders, KY; died 13 Dec 1979 in Madison, IN.

#### Notes for Mary Elizabeth Ayres:

Wanda Tackett McNeely, was Lizzie's first grandchild and she was born in their house in 1941 on Twin Creek. Lizzie was 43 at that time. Wanda reports on how much she enjoyed her family's trips from Monterey to visit her grandparents on Big Twin Creek. When she got older she went with her grandparents to the sale barns, which was a big event for her. Grover liked to trade and was always making a deal. Her grannie gave her her first knitting needles [made of wood] and taught her to knit. Lizzie also started her on her first quilt. This quilt, all hand-made and Wanda's only one, took over 20 years to finish. It was the Dresden Plate and Lizzie made the pattern from a margarine box. Her grandfather never let them talk at the table. In 1952 Grover and Lizzie left Owen County, moved to Indiana, and bought a farm there. Grover already had a couple of sisters who were living in Indiana. Lizzie and Grover had ten grandchildren and they were good to them all. They really did take on the grandparent role and enjoyed every minute of it. There may have been times they weren't sure, but they never refused them anything that they had as they would always share.

A grandson [Ronnie Tackett] of Mary Elizabeth "Lizzie" Ayres Mefford recently wrote down some of his recollections of her. Lizzie was a very good cook and could mix up things quickly. "She would get us up early in the morning out of our cold bedroom, have us come to the kitchen and she would have hot biscuits, brown sugar molasses, sausage and eggs. Grandaddy always drank his coffee [really strong] out of the saucer." She was a real nervous person and held her grandchildren on her lap in a way that she called "riding in the truck". She would be constantly moving her thumb when her grandchildren were in her lap. In 1956 there were fires in California. One day granny was talking about them and how it was according to the Bible-the ending of the world. Ronnie was 11 years old and laughed at her and told her he didn't believe it. He told her she was crazy. She went and got a switch and chased him around the house and finally she switched him. She worked at what

she called public work. She cleaned house for the Grotes and Spanns and also worked the night shift at a drive thru diner on the road to Hanover. She didn't drive so her husband always took her. She always went to church Sundays, Wednesdays, and revivals. She often read the Bible in the morning and at night. Lizzie canned a lot of food and she made pickles and sour kraut in very large crocks with the cabbage slicer. "Many times she had me turn the one gallon butter churn." Lizzie had a funny way of moving her mouth when she was just sitting and not talking. This trait has also been noticed in her daughter, Emma and granddaughter, Wanda.

More About Mary Elizabeth Ayres:

Burial: Unknown, Dupont, Indiana

Religion: 14 Aug 1913, Baptized by South Fork Baptist Source of Descendants: 2002, McNeely Research<sup>117</sup>

#### Notes for Grover Cleveland Mefford:

The lane [now called Quissenberry Pike or Lane] that went by our house [BLM] continued on down to the Twin Creek Road. Beyond the lane on the ridge before it goes down the hill there is a tobacco barn on the "Mefford Place". This was the upper part of Grover Mefford's farm. Grover bought the farm from C. J. and Martha F. Ball in 1930. Our neighbor Fletcher Lusby bought the farm 12 Jan 1953 for 5000.00 and later still it was owned by Owenton [and Ayres descendant] jeweler, A. T. Morgan.

I remember Grover Mefford and his wife were among the guests at my grandparents 50th anniversary celebration in 1964 at Owenton. I remember he put his pipe into his pant's pocket when he went indoors.

More About Grover Cleveland Mefford:

Burial: Unknown, Dupont Cemetery

More About Grover Mefford and Mary Ayres:

Marriage: 27 Jan 1915, Squiresville

iii. Lofton Ayres, born Bet. 1900 - 1910; died Bet. 1900 - 1910 in Owen Co. Ky.

**137. John Samuel**<sup>6</sup> **Ayres** (Christopher Columbus Sanford Bradford<sup>5</sup>, Lewis<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 05 Mar 1876 in Owen Co. Ky., and died 28 Aug 1955 in Gallatin Co. Ky.. He married **Effie Jane Eads** 05 Oct 1899 in Owen Co. Ky., daughter of James Eads and Nancy Greene. She was born 30 Jun 1882, and died 1954.

## Notes for John Samuel Ayres:

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It is presumed that John was born in the area near South Fork as his father was living there a few years before John was born. When he was a young man,

John was a very capable horseman and performed trick riding at county fairs. He would ride standing up, ride in circles, & pick up rings. He also trained saddle horses.

John was baptized in 1906 by South Fork Baptist Church. In November 1913 John was appointed to a committee for the purpose of rebuilding a new church [South Fork Baptist]. [24 July 1913- The News-Herald reported that a terrific cyclonic storm did heavy damage in the state. Possibly this is when the earlier church was blown down. Also the Hunt home on our later Cull farm was blown down in 1913 or 1914.] On October 7th 1916 John Ayres & Horace Estes were elected deacons at South Fork Baptist. Brother Louis Thomas was elected pastor at the same time. John & Effie also raised a foster son from an orphanage-Leroy Hunt.

On March 23, 1907 John S. Ayres was elected to the boad of directors of the South Fork Turnpike Co. John and his family for a time lived back a lane East of the South Fork Road. He experimented with tree grafting and one time had three fruits growing on the same tree. When he was older they

moved to Indiana. [ I remember him but just barely-we went to see them one time-I think they lived in Indiana then]

His son, Norman J. reported that John really enjoyed working with grafting and also trying to find new types of fruit trees. They had one tree in their front yard that had three different types of apples on it.

More About John Samuel Ayres: Burial: Unknown, Squiresville Misc.: Photo Album page 12

More About Effie Jane Eads:

Misc.: Brown Eyes

More About John Ayres and Effie Eads: Marriage: 05 Oct 1899, Owen Co. Ky.

Children of John Ayres and Effie Eads are:

i. Margaret<sup>7</sup> Ayres, born 03 Jan 1903; died 16 Sep 1976. She married Gill Welch; died Unknown.

More About Margaret Ayres:

Fact 1: Have 3 letters from her:5(1970),16,23 Medical Information: Sensitive to sunlight Religion: Baptized July 1916-South Fork Baptist

307 ii. Nuvil Christopher Ayres, born 31 Mar 1906 in Owen Co. Ky.; died 30 Mar 1959 in Veteran's Hospital in Louisville, Ky. He married (1) Beulah B. Franks 29 May 1929 in Monterey; born 01 Jul 1903 in Owen; died 16 Oct 1939 in Owen. He married (2) Vivian Ireland Private; born Private. He married (3) Lillian Bell Hunt 28 Jan 1947; born 31 Jul 1914 in Cull Community in house where I grew up; died 16 Dec 1998 in Sierra Vista AZ.

More About Nuvil Christopher Ayres:

Education: High School

Medical Information: Sensitive to sunlight Military service: WW II enlisted 3 Aug 1943

Misc.: Vest Funeral Home, Scottsburg, IN; Burial at New Liberty

Occupation: Farmer, Auctioneer, Dairy Farmer Religion: Baptized Aug 1919-South Fork Baptist

More About Beulah B. Franks: Burial: 17 Oct 1939, Monterey Cause of Death: Child birth 6 hrs Fact 1: 2 children died at birth;diabetic

More About Nuvil Ayres and Beulah Franks:

Marriage: 29 May 1929, Monterey

More About Nuvil Ayres and Vivian Ireland:

Private-Begin: Private

More About Lillian Bell Hunt: Burial: Unknown, IOOF New Liberty

Occupation: Housewife, Mother, Seamstress, Quilting

Religion: Baptist

More About Nuvil Ayres and Lillian Hunt:

Marriage: 28 Jan 1947

308 iii. Thelma Ray Ayres, born 03 Mar 1919 in Owen Co. Ky.; died 24 Dec 1999. She married Hubert

Henry Hammond Private; born Private.

More About Thelma Ray Ayres:

Burial: 28 Dec 1999, Owenton I.O.O.F. Cemetery

More About Hubert Hammond and Thelma Ayres:

Private-Begin: Private

309 iv. Norman J. Ayres, born Private. He married Shirley Mileham Private; born Private.

More About Norman Ayres and Shirley Mileham:

Private-Begin: Private

**138.** Flora Ella<sup>6</sup> Ayres (Christopher Columbus Sanford Bradford<sup>5</sup>, Lewis<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 01 Jul 1878 in Owen Co. Ky., and died 03 Jun 1966 in Owen Co. Ky.. She married **Reuben B. Kemper** 12 Dec 1900 in Owen Co. Ky., son of Frank Kemper and Mary Milton. He was born 21 Aug 1878, and died 29 Jan 1931.

More About Flora Ella Ayres: Burial: Unknown, Squiresville Misc.: Photo Album page 13

## Notes for Reuben B. Kemper:

Reuben was from Carter County and met Ella while visiting relatives in Owen County. About 1916 or 1917 Reuben and Ella moved to Owen County they loaded everything (livestock, household goods, etc.) onto a train at Grayson and came to Frankfort. At Frankfort Ella's brothers, the Ayres boys met them there with horses and wagons. "Rube" also had his team and wagon on the train to use. The young daughter, Bessie was fascinated and excited about the trip. In Owen County they first lived on Fannie Ayres farm on Hensley Lane off the Squiresville Road. This farm backed up to the South Fork Road where Fannie Ayres lived.

More About Reuben B. Kemper:

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Cause of Death: Died of rabies after carrying off a dead rabid dog with his bare hands

More About Reuben Kemper and Flora Ayres:

Marriage: 12 Dec 1900, Owen Co. Ky.

Children of Flora Ayres and Reuben Kemper are:

i. Gertrude Katherine<sup>7</sup> Kemper, born 08 Nov 1901 in Grayson, Carter Co. Ky; died 16 Aug 1988 in Carrollton Ky.. She married Hobert H. Roberts 10 Mar 1923; born Abt. 1902; died 13 Feb 1954.

More About Hobert H. Roberts: Burial: Unknown, Squiresville

More About Hobert Roberts and Gertrude Kemper:

Thomas Ayres and His Descendants: 88

Marriage: 10 Mar 1923

311 ii. Zella B. Kemper, born 29 May 1903 in Grayson, Carter Co. Ky; died 11 Mar 1983. She married Chester Arthur Lusby 12 Feb 1926 in Owen Co. Ky.; born 31 Mar 1906; died 10 Aug 1974.

More About Chester Lusby and Zella Kemper:

Marriage: 12 Feb 1926, Owen Co. Ky.

312 iii. Bessie Mae Kemper, born 25 Apr 1911 in Carter Co. Ky.; died 08 Nov 2002 in Frankfort Regional Medical Center. She married (1) Wilbur Norris; died Unknown. She married (2) Ira David Estes 21 Jan 1933 in Owen Co. Ky.; born 1907; died 25 Dec 1960 in Cincinnati, Ohio.

More About Bessie Mae Kemper:

Burial: Unknown, Owenton I.O.O.F. Cemetery

Religion: Kenwood Baptist Church

More About Ira Estes and Bessie Kemper:

Marriage: 21 Jan 1933, Owen Co. Ky.

iv. Ruby Ayres Kemper, born 17 Feb 1914 in Everman, Carter Co. Ky; died 30 Sep 2007 in Jacskonville, Florida. She married George Littrell 11 Nov 1932 in Owen Co. Ky.; born 10 Aug 1910 in Owen Co. Ky.; died 22 Feb 1983 in St. Petersburg, Florida.

More About Ruby Ayres Kemper:

Burial: Unknown, Owenton Cemetery Occupation: Seamstress in Louisville

Religion: First Christian Church of the Beaches in Neptune, FL

More About George Littrell and Ruby Kemper:

Marriage: 11 Nov 1932, Owen Co. Ky.

v. Stella Oleta Kemper, born 21 Aug 1915 in Carter Co. Ky; died 20 Feb 2005 in Hospice Care Center in Lexington, Ky. She married Ray Dempsey 23 Feb 1935 in Owen Co. Ky.; born 04 Aug 1907; died 26 Oct 1987.

More About Stella Oleta Kemper:

Occupation: Data Coordinator in the Human Resources Cabinet

Religion: Member Buck Run Baptist Church in Frankfort

Notes for Ray Dempsey:

In 1937 the Owen Co. Board of Education deeded to Ray Dempsey property on the Mint Spring Road. Ella, Don, and Sue were born here.

More About Ray Dempsey and Stella Kemper:

Marriage: 23 Feb 1935, Owen Co. Ky.

**139. Mattie Price<sup>6</sup> Ayres** (Christopher Columbus Sanford Bradford<sup>5</sup>, Lewis<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 18 Apr 1884 in Owen Co. Ky., and died 10 Aug 1967 in Falmouth Hospital. She married (1) **Solomon Lego Ligon** 10 Apr 1909, son of Samuel Ligon. He was born Abt. 1864, and died Unknown. She married (2) **Edward Hawkins** Aft. 1920, son of John Hawkins and Martha Coleman. He died Unknown.

More About Mattie Price Ayres:

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Religion: Baptized in 1903-South Fork Baptist

More About Solomon Lego Ligon: Burial: Unknown, Salem Cemetery

More About Solomon Ligon and Mattie Ayres:

Marriage: 10 Apr 1909

More About Edward Hawkins and Mattie Ayres:

Marriage: Aft. 1920

Child of Mattie Ayres and Solomon Ligon is:

i. Mable Gay<sup>7</sup> Ligon, born Private. She married (1) Charles Holman Private; born Private. She married (2) George Griffin Private; born Private.

More About Charles Holman and Mable Ligon:

Private-Begin: Private

More About George Griffin and Mable Ligon:

Private-Begin: Private

#### Endnotes

- 1. David Hackett Fischer, "Albion's Seed", (Oxford University Press New York Oxford 1989), p. 285 [in adjacent Middlesex County mean age for men at first marriage for time period was 26.7; no indication of an earlier marriage].
- 2. Thomas Ayres Will, 5 January 1721, proved 20 March 1721, Virginia State Library, Essex Co. Va. Wills, reel 40, no. 3, pp 291-293.
- 3. Thomas Thorpe Will, 16 May 1704, proved 10 June 1704, Family History Library (LDS), Essex Co. Wills (have copy) [my loving father (in-law) Richard Goode].
- 4. Thomas Thorpe Will, 16 May 1704, proved 10 June 1704, Family History Library (LDS), Essex Co. Va. Wills [have copy] [still married to Florinda].
- 5. Isabel Wermeyer, "Research of Ayres, Goode, Lambert, Thorpe" Thorpe: p 5, 10 March 1704/5, inventory of Thomas Thorpe by Thos. & Florinda Ayres, Essex Co. Deeds & Wills, no. 12, p 26.
- 6. Isabel Wermeyer, "Research of Ayres, Goode, Lambert, Thorpe", 1994, L 339, Goode: p. 3, Old Rappahannock Co. Va, Deeds & Wills, 1677-1682, p.151 [correspondence to BLM] [Thomas Parker gives a heifer to Florenda Goode, daughter of Richard Goode].
- 7. Thomas Meades Will, 29 January 1716, proved 21 January 1717, Family History Library (LDS), Essex Co. Va. Wills [Florinda is presumed to have died before Meades will was proved as Thomas had remarried by that date].
- 8. Thomas Meades Will, 29 January 1716, proved 21 January 1717/8, Family History Library (LDS), Essex Co. Va. Wills [Ann (1st husband TM) had married Thomas Ayres by the date the will was proved].
- 9. Isabel Wermeyer, "Research of Ayres, Goode, Lambert, Thorpe", Goode: p 2, 3 Nov. 1674, Old Rappahannock Co. Va. Deeds & Wills 5, p 242 [Sarah wife of Richard Goode appointed beloved brother, Thomas Parker...].
- 10. Thomas Thorpe Will, 16 May 1704, proved 10 June 1704, Family History Library (LDS), Essex Co. Va. Wills [have copy] [still married to Florinda].
- 11. Isabel Wermeyer, "Research of Ayres, Goode, Lambert, Thorpe" Thorpe: p 5, 10 March 1704/5, inventory of Thomas Thorpe by Thos. & Florinda Ayres, Essex Co. Deeds & Wills, no. 12, p 26.
- 12. Isabel Wermeyer, "Research of Ayres, Goode, Lambert, Thorpe" Ayres: p 15.
- 13. Thomas Meades Will, 29 January 1716, proved 21 January 1717/8, Family History Library (LDS), Essex Co.
- Va. Wills [Ann (1st husband TM) had married Thomas Ayres by the date the will was proved].
- 14. Ruth & Sam Sparacio, "Essex Co. Order Book, 1723-1725", (McLean, Va.: Antient Press 1989), EX.OB-

- 08/89, p 73 (ANT.), 21 April 1724 p 115 [Thomas Ayres chose Thomas Thorpe for his guardian-usually age 16 or more to choose their own guardian].
- 15. Ruth & Sam Sparacio, "Essex Co. Deed Book, 1724-1728", (McLean, Va.: Antient Press 1989), EX.DB-02/89, book 18, p 77 (ANT), pp 278-279, 15 July 1727 [William & Sarah Thorpe sell land on Cockleshell Creek to C. Reynolds-witnessed by Richard Goode & Thomas Ayres-TA was probably 18 or more].
- 16. Thomas Ayres Will, 30 November 1755, proved 16 November 1766, Virginia State Library, Essex Co. Wills, reel 45, no. 10 pp 105-106 [bond under will dated 16 Nov 1756 (1766 date is probably wrong).
- 17. Thomas Ayres to John Lee, Deed 1750, Virginia State Library, Essex Co. Va. Deeds, reel 14, no. 25, p 147 [Mary Scott heir of William Scott & wife of Thomas Ayres].
- 18. Ruth & Sam Sparacio, "Essex Co. Deed Book, 1733-1738", (McLean, Va.: Antient Press 1989), EX.DB-04/89, book 20, p 42 (ANT), pp 16-21, 16-17 June 1735 [Thomas & Mary Ayres sell 62 acres to Mungo Roy; this farm was left to Thomas in his father's will; Thomas' father bought it in 1716].
- 19. Isabel Wermeyer, "Research of Ayres, Goode, Lambert, Thorpe", Ayres p 12, 1706, Essex Order Book 3, p. 273 (Wilkerson p 12), [Thomas Ayres wife Florinda Thorpe].
- 20. Beverley Fleet, "Virginia Colonial Abstracts Volume IX", (Baltimore Genealogical Publishing Co. 1961), Essex County Wills & Deeds, 1714-1717, p 8, no. 14, p 633, William Scott's will, 26 Nov 1715, proved 21 Aug 1716, [wife Margaret, son William, brother James, has two unnamed daughters, land near White Oak Swamp].
- 21. Ruth & Sam Sparacio, Essex Co. Wills, 1748-1750, (McLean, Va.: Antient Press 1992), EX-WB-29/92, p 72 (ANT.), 1749, pp 259-262, Will of Bernard Noel [ was witnessed by William Ayres; he was probably at least 14 and more likely 18 or more years of age].
- 22. Norman J. Ayres, Letter to Barry L. Marston, 1989, (L 178), [reports from his Ayres research that William Ayres was the oldest and the younger brother was named Thomas-Thomas Ayres their father].
- 23. William Ayres Will, 31 August 1791, codicil 2 Sep 1791, proved 20 Feb 1792, Virginia State Library, Essex Co. Va. Wills, p 273, [names wife Roseannah & children Samuel, Mary Scott Ayres, Living Ayres, Burtinhead Ayres].
- 24. Ruth & Sam Sparacio, "Essex Co. Deed Book", 1751-1753, (McLean Virginia: Antient Press 1993), EX.DB-32/93, p 92 (ANT.), 27 Dec 1752, pp 240-245, Berryman Brown to George Green, witnesses .. Thos. Ayres, Thos. Ayres, Jr. [Thomas Jr. is probably at least 14 and probably 18 or more] [deed abstracts on microfiche].
- 25. Thomas Ayres, Caroline Court Order, 10 February 1780, "Electronic.", p 65 p 207 [ordered that Thomas Ayres be certified to the Register of the Land Office; it being proved to the court that he served as a Sergeant and was discharged in 1754 (French & Indian War)] [he was probably 20 or more in 1754] [copy sent to BLM via email from Gene Faulk].
- 26. Thomas Ayres Will, 23 November 1811, proved 13 January 1812, Book A, p 204 [copy made 19 July 1977 at Warsaw Ky by Gertrude E. Hewson and sent to BLM].
- 27. Cook, "Kentucky Court of Appeals Deed Books, Vol. III", (Evansville, Indiana: Cook Publications 1985), Book O, p 206, [published page 29], [Mary Ayres .. widow of Thomas Ayres... 14 Dec. 1811].
- 28. Thomas Ayres entry, International Genealogical Index, 1992, Family History Library (LDS), Va. p 1223, film F867394, sheet 5, [Thomas married Zerviah Noell <1764>; the will of Thomas and a Franklin District Court record both indicate that Thomas was married prior to his marriage to Mary; Bernard Noel mentions a daughter, Zerviah in his will in 1749; Zerviah was a first cousin to Thomas Ayres on his maternal side].
- 29. Indiana DAR, "A Roster of Revolutionary Ancestors", (Evansville, Indiana: Unigraphics, INC. 1976), p 297, Benjamin Sneed, [married Mary Coleman; also she had two sons with Coleman as a middle name-often a maiden surname became a middle name for a child].
- 30. Hattie Marshall Scott, "Scott's Papers, Kentucky Court and Other Records", (Frankfort, KY: The Kentucky Historical Society, 1953), p 154, misc. court records , Wm. Sneed, [refers to an 1801 deposition that gives date of marriage of Mary Sneed of Caroline and Thomas Ayres widower of Essex who moved to Caroline] [original deposition has not been located but Franklin District Order Book 1800-1802 is at Ky Archives-there are 3 references to case: pp 114, 146, 258, first being 9 June 1801; the style of this case is John Scott administrator of Benjamin Sneed deceased against Thomas Airs defendant; complainant allowed to take depositions, a jury finds for plaintiff, defendant files answer and by consent to take depositions generally in or out of the state] .
- 31. Mary Ayres entry, Tax List, Owen County Kentucky, 1829, Kentucky History Center Library, box 73-0319, 1819-1845 [Mary appears on the Gallatin and Owen County tax lists following the death of her husband and last appears in 1829 next to Lewis Ayres]; [Mary appeared to reside in 1820 in the houusehold of Lewis Ayres as one female over 45 years of age, but not in 1830].
- 32. Hattie Marshall Scott, "Scott's Papers, Kentucky Court and Other Records", (Frankfort, KY: The Kentucky Historical Society, 1953), p. 154.
- 33. Caroline Co. Virginia Court Orders 1780, "Electronic," page 207 (65) 10 Feb 1780, Thomas Ayres served as

- a Sergeant ... discharged in 1754 in a Regiment raised for the immediate defense of this state ... never received his bounty of land under the King of Great Britain's Proclamation. Ordered the same be certified to the Register of the Land Office.
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- 35. Hattie Marshall Scott, "Scott's Papers, Kentucky Court and Other Records", (Frankfort, KY: The Kentucky Historical Society, 1953), p 154, misc. court records , Wm. Sneed, [refers to an 1801 deposition that gives date of marriage of Mary Sneed of Caroline and Thomas Ayres widower of Essex who moved to Caroline] [original deposition has not been located but Franklin District Order Book 1800-1802 is at Ky Archives-there are 3 references to case: pp 114, 146, 258, first being 9 June 1801; the style of this case is John Scott administrator of Benjamin Sneed deceased against Thomas Airs defendant; complainant allowed to take depositions, a jury finds for plaintiff, defendant files answer and by consent to take depositions generally in or out of the state] .
- 36. Marquis Boultinghouse, "Silversmiths of Kentucky 1785-1900", (Boultinghouse 1980), pp 36-43.
- 37. James M. Bourne, "The Jameson Family", The William and Mary College Quarterly Historical Magazine, 1st Series, Vol. III (1895): 199-201, Vol. V (1896): 90-94, Vol. VIII (1900): 251-255. Reprinted in Genealogies of Virginia Families, Volume III, (Baltimore, MD: Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc. 1982), pp 143-153. Virginia Genealogies # 2, 1600s-1800s, CD# 186, Broderbund Software, (Genealogy.com), [credit is given to James M. Bourne of Owenton Ky who compiled Jameson information from family Bibles and county records].
- 38. Daniel Coleman Ayres, Pension File, War of 1812, National Archives 2 Jan. 1873, Daniel responds to questions: Q correct spelling of your surname A Ayres, Q spelled on Rolls of Company A think Daniel Colman Ayres, might have been signed D. C. Ayres, Q full given name A Daniel Coalman, Q by what given name were you generally called in your young days and when you were in the service A Colman, Q your name on Co. Rolls A Daniel C. Ayres (he signed by an X), Incidental Matter: John McGibney & Lewis Ayres testify that the soldier was always known as Coleman Ayres but his proper name was Daniel C. Ayres.
- 39. Melia Bowman Whitley Research, (Gedcom File), "Electronic," Date of Import: Feb 12, 1999 [ MBW reports (email) to me 4/1/01 that this date appears on a loose page out of a Family Bible that she has seen. It has been passed down for generations in her family].
- 40. Bible Record of William S. Ayres Family, [BLM received copy 21 Nov 2002 from Melia Whitley via US mail; Births, Marriages, Deaths; "Daniel C. Ayres was borned in Carrolina County Va the 1st day of Sept 1784"].
- 41. Daniel Coleman Ayres, Pension File, War of 1812, National Archives, claim no. 20872, cert no. 20160, Widow's Brief: 19 Oct. 1873.
- 42. Bible Record of William S. Ayres Family, Susanah Ayres wife of D. C. Ayres was borned in Carolina County Va in the year of 1784 in December of that year.
- 43. Susannah Sale Ayres, Tombstone at Poplar Grove Baptist Church Owen Co. Ky, inscription, June 1 1819, age 35.
- 44. Daniel Coleman Ayres, Pension File, War of 1812, National Archives.
- 45. Lewis Ayres entry, U. S. census, 1850 population schedule, (Witchita KS. :S-K Publications 1986), Owen Co. Ky., District no. 2, 2 Sep.1850, p 198 B, dwelling 433, family 433, [Lewis 61, born Va.], [1860 census, p 85, 4 July 1860, age 70].
- 46. Lewis Ayres, Bounty-Land File, National Archives, can no. 744, bundle no. 94, [Declarations: 1 Nov. 1850-age 61, 26 June 1855-age 66], [Mortality Schedule 1870 gives age incorrectly as 85 at death].
- 47. Hattie Marshall Scott, "Scott's Papers, Kentucky Court and Other Records", (Frankfort, KY: The Kentucky Historical Society, 1953), Page 154, [Lewis' father moved to Caroline by 1783].
- 48. Thomas Ayres entry, Personal Property Tax List, Caroline County Virginia, Yantis & Love, (Springfield Virginia: Genealogical Books in Print 1987), 1787, p 740, list B, [shows Thomas is still living there].
- 49. Thomas Ayres entry, Personal Property Tax List, Caroline County Virginia, 1792, Virginia State Library, 19 May 1792, reel 78, pp 1,1a, [copied 1994], [Lewis' father still living in Caroline when Lewis is about 3 years old]. 50. Lewis Ayres, death record, 9 November 1869, Poplar Grove Baptist Church Minutes, [have copy of notes (BLM) from 1960's].
- 51. Lewis Ayres to Ellender Beatty, Marriage Certificates Book A, 13 November 1822, Owen County Clerk, p 25, by James Medley.
- 52. Lewis Ayres entry, U. S. census, 1850 population schedule, (Witchita KS. :S-K Publications 1986), Owen Co. Ky., District 2, 2 Sep 1850, p. 198 B, dwelling 433, family 433, [Ellender age 51, born Ky], [1860 census age 65]. [the 1830, 1840 censuses indicate her age as 1800-1810].
- 53. Ellender Ayres, death record, 16 November 1862, Poplar Grove Baptist Church Minutes, [notes made by BLM in 1960's from minute book; Leonard Ayres went and got the book for me].
- 54. Lewis Ayres, L. S. Ayres, & Susan E. Ayres to William Garvey, Deed 1867, Owen County Clerk, Book R, p

- 282, [this sale of land was for 129 acres out of which there was reserved 1/4 of an acre it being the present grave yard], [in a letter to BLM in 1972 from Margaret Ayres Welch, she thought there was a family grave yard and before she finished the letter she called Juanita Ayres Malcomb. Juanita said there was a small grave yard out a ridge-you crossed the road], [years later I spoke with Othel Ayres about it and he gave me the impression that the cemetery was across U. S. 127 from the Ayres House. That day Larry Ayres and I searched the farm across the road but found nothing] [more recently I've spoken with Juanita and still get the impression that the graveyard was on that side of the road; she said her Shirley ancestor was buried on the other side of the road], [the family of Estal Ayres knows the most about it as he lived at Poplar Grove; Estal even searched unsuccessfully for it], [Ellender Beatty Ayres had died before 1867 and most likely she and later Lewis were buried in this cemetery; given that some of this property had belonged to Lewis' father, it may well be that Lewis' parents are also buried here].
- 55. James Beatty to Hicks (?), Deed 1817, Kentucky History Center, box 76-105-24, Scott Co. Ky, May 1817, Book D p 5, [James Beatty & Mary his wife of Gallatin Co. sell their land in Scott Co.], [James (50acres) was in Scott Co. through 1815 but by 1816 James Beatty was in Gallatin Co.(tax list)].
- 56. William Beatty Will, 23 August 1800, proved 6 Dec 1803, Kentucky State Archives, film 183196, Scott Co. Wills, Book A, p 173, [children by a former wife ... Molly Beaty, wife of James Beaty].
- 57. Dorothy Merrifield, "Owen County, Kentucky Abstracts of Deeds Books A & B", (Owensboro KY: Cook-McDowell Publications, Inc.1980), p 19, 13 June 1821, Book A, p. 120, [James Beatty names children].
- 58. Stephenson vs Children of James Beatty, American Sentinel 1825, (Georgetown Kentucky: The American Sentinel), copy of notice printed from 25 Nov 1825 to 25 Jan 1826, suit in Owen Co. Circuit Court, Ky State Archives, Box 9 (1829-1831), A-22.
- 59. Lewis Ayres to Ellender Beatty, Marriage Certificates Book A, 13 November 1822, Owen County Clerk, p 25, by James Medley.
- 60. Thomas Ayres Will, 23 November 1811, "all the property that came by first wife, shall return to her children share and share alike- my grandchildren of my son Thomas Ayres decd. considered to come in for a share equally with one one of the others."
- 61. Ritchie Ayres to Martha Ayres, Deed 1830, p. 422 23 April 1830 Gallatin, Ritchie Ayres of Pike Co. Mo. ... my sister Martha Ayres .. grant to Martha claim I have in the estate of my grandfather Thomas Ayres decd ... devised in his last will & testament.
- 62. Bible Record of William S. Ayres Family.
- 63. Judith Cull, "Ayres Research", "Electronic", 17 March 2002, Email to BLM giving descendants of Sanford Ayres, [Cull of Baja, CA, Mexico, EM: MexCull@aol.com].
- 64. Bible Record of William S. Ayres Family.
- 65. William M. Ayres, Letter to Barry L. Marston, 15 September 1977, letter no. 89.
- 66. Ayres Genealogy, "Owen County Historical Almanac 1966", (Owenton Ky: Owen County Historical Society, Inc.), pp 58-59, ["James Thomas Ayres"].
- 67. Lewis Ayres entry, U. S. census, 1850 population schedule, (Witchita KS. :S-K Publications 1986), Owen Co. Ky., District 2, 2 Sep 1850, p 198 B, dwelling 433, family 433, [James Ayres age 22].
- 68. Ayres Genealogy, "Owen County Historical Almanac 1966", (Owenton Ky: Owen County Historical Society, Inc.). pp 58-59, [born 9 January 1828].
- 69. Lewis Ayres entry, U. S. census, 1850 population schedule, (Witchita KS. :S-K Publications 1986), Owen Co. Ky., District 2, 2 Sep 1850, p 198 B, dwelling 433, family 433, [James age 22].
- 70. Ayres Genealogy, "Owen County Historical Almanac 1966", (Owenton Ky: Owen County Historical Society, Inc.). pp 58-59 [18 December 1910].
- 71. Mary E. Ayres, Tombstone at Jonesville Kentucky, Grant County, Cemetery at Macedonia Baptist Church, Inscription: Mary E. Wife of J. T. Ayres Nov. 15 1836 July 30 1901, [photographed 1991.
- 72. Mary E. Ayres, Tombstone at Jonesville Kentucky, [see her birth source].
- 73. Death Certificate of Lewis Samuel Ayres, born 20 Aug 1832 died at age 83-9-2, informant Rocksey Beaty Jonesville Ky.
- 74. Sam Ayres obituary, The News-Herald 1916, 25 May 1916, p 1, col. 4, [he died on Monday=22 May 1916].
- 75. Owen County Court, Owen County Ky Wills, Book G p. 51 (will 231).

was called Lum; Several Ayres branches had heard of Lum].

- 76. Margaret Ayres Welch, Letter to Barry L. Marston, July 1970, [she states his full name; her sister Thelma probably told me first his full name;my grandmother (LAM) and/or her mother told me his full name without S. B. (before 1964); Lacie Ayres Marston knew his nickname was Lum;Leonard Ayres knew one of the brothers
- 77. Christopher Columbus Ayres, death certificate no. 19926, Kentucky Vital Statistics, born 23 August 1834.
- 78. Christopher Columbus Ayres, death certificate no. 19926, Kentucky Vital Statistics, died 7 July 1913.
- 79. C. C. Ayres to Sarah A. Thornton, Marriage Certificate, 10 January 1861 Owen Co. Clerk.

- 80. Sarah Thornton Ayres, death certificate no. 32107, Kentucky Vital Statistics,18 December 1928, birth 20 July 1841.
- 81. Sarah Thornton Ayres, death certificate no. 32107, Kentucky Vital Statistics, death 18 December 1928..
- 82. Christopher Columbus Ayres, death certificate no. 19926, 7 July 1913, Kentucky Vital Statistics, Owen Co., precinct West Owenton, [parents: Louis Ayres, Ella Beaty, informant Estil Ayres].
- 83. Lewis Ayres Will, 20 July 1866, Owen County Clerk, proved February 1870, Book F, p 1, ["my three sons J. T. Ayres S S Ayres (L. S.), C C Ayres"].
- 84. Phillip A. Thornton entry, U. S. census, 1850 population schedule, Missouri State Archives, Lafayette Co. Mo., District no. 46, 2 November 1850, p 230 B, dwelling 1215, family 1215, Phillip 38 born Va., Elizabeth 27 born Ky, Sarah A. 9, Mary F. 8, Angelina 5, Charles 3, William E. 2-next door FW Thornton & Permelia..
- 85. Sarah Thornton Ayres, death certificate no. 32107, Kentucky Vital Statistics, 1928, father: Phil Thornton [incorrectly states mother is Elizabeth Bourne].
- 86. C. C. Ayres to Sarah A. Thornton, Marriage Certificate, 10 January 1861 Owen Co. Clerk.
- 87. Peggy Hetlage, "Ayres Research", "Electronic", [sent children of Lucy Ayres Underwood; list printed 5 Feb 2000; EM:phetlage@benefitworks.com].
- 88. "Robert S. Ayres newspaper obituary", copy in L 273.
- 89. William M. Ayres, Letter to Barry L. Marston, 15 September 1977, letter no. 89.
- 90. William J. Ayres, death certificate no. 17773, Kentucky Vital Statistics, [gives mother as Mary Franks;incorrectly gives father as John T. Ayres
- 91. Ethel Thornton Knabb, "Research on the Thornton Family".
- 92. Compiler Unknown, "Morgan Ligon Past and Present Generations 1755-1974."
- 93. Charles W. Ayres Memorial Card, Funeral Home (?) [has birth & death dates, have copy].
- 94. Charles W. Ayres Memorial Card, Funeral Home (?).
- 95. Barry L. Marston, Genealogical Research Files, before 1970 to present [taken from interviews, letters, public records research, etc.].
- 96. Charles Ayres entry, U. S. census, 1900 population schedule, Owen Co. Ky, West Owenton Precinct, Enumeration District 48, Supervisor District 7, sheet 16, dwelling 319, family 344, [married 4 years].
- 97. Barry L. Marston, Genealogical Research Files, before 1970-present.
- 98. Fannie Eads Ayres, death record, Kentucky Death Index, 18 February 1964, Kentucky Vital Statistics, "Electronic."
- 99. C. C. Ayres entry, U. S. census, 1880 population schedule, New Liberty Precinct, p 257, dwelling 219, family 221, [Charles, M, age 16, son; however it appears to have been written over another name, daughter and maybe F].
- 100. C. C. Ayres entry, U. S. census, 1870 population schedule, Owen Co. Ky., Owenton Precinct, 22 June 1870, p 44, dwelling 306, family 306, [Charles 6 M W].
- 101. Charles Ayres entry, U. S. census, 1900 population schedule, Owen Co. Ky., West Owenton Precinct, p 135 A, Enumeration District 48, Supervisor District 7, sheet 16, dwelling 319, family 344-345, [James L. Eads b. Nov 1853, father-in-law, Nannie b. April 1860, mother-in-law, married 23 years]; [Owen marriages: James Eads married Nannie Greene in 1877]
- 102. Barry L. Marston, Genealogical Research Files, before 1970 to present [taken from interviews, letters, public records research, etc.].
- 103. Charles Ayres entry, U. S. census, 1900 population schedule, Owen Co. Ky, West Owenton Precinct, Enumeration District 48, Supervisor District 7, sheet 16, dwelling 319, family 344, [married 4 years].
- 104. Lacie R. Ayres, Written Recollections,16 April 1898, "Kenton County where I was born 16 April out a ridge from Bracht Station."
- 105. Lacie R. Marston, birth & death record, 402-90-3382, Social Security Death Index, 16 April 1898, Social Security Administration, (Ancestry.com), "Electronic."
- 106. Barry L. Marston, Genealogical Research Files.
- 107. S. L. Marston Family, Bible Record of Sherfy L. Marston Family, 1 August 1914, (International Bible Press, The John C. Winston Co., Philadelphia, Pa n. d.).
- 108. Sherfy L. Marston, birth certificate no. 454766, 15 June 1897, Kentucky Vital Statistics, [ filed 2 Jan 1962].
- 109. S. L. Marston, Modern Woodmen of America Application, 7 September 1916, birth 15 June 1897.
- 110. S. L. Marston, birth & death record, 400-50-7962, Social Security Death Index, 13 June 1896,
- (Ancestry.com), "Electronic." [incorrectly interpreted from the 1900 census taken 12 June which gave his age as 3-he was 3 days shy of 3]
- 111. Barry L. Marston, Genealogical Research Files.
- 112. Lacie R. Ayres, Written Recollections, 16 April 1898.
- 113. Barry L. Marston, Genealogical Research Files, before 1970-present.

- 114. Charles Ayres entry, U. S. census, 1900 population schedule, Owen Co. Ky, West Owenton Precinct, Enumeration District 48, Supervisor District 7, sheet 16, dwelling 319, family 344; Kentucky History Center, box 70-0284, p 135A [maternal grandparents living with them].
- 115. Sherfy L. Marston, birth certificate no. 454766, Kentucky Vital Statistics, [filed 2 Jan 1962].
- 116. S. L. Marston Family, Bible Record of Sherfy L. Marston Family, 1 August 1914, (International Bible Press, The John C. Winston Co., Philadelphia, Pa n. d.).
- 117. Wanda Tackett McNeely, "Research on Ayres Descendants & Others", 2002, filed as L 472, [consisting of family data sheets, censuses, death certificates, marriage records, photos, etc.], [WTM email: SKLJCKY @aol.com].

# Beatty

James Beatty was living in Scott County Kentucky as early as 1800 with 2 horses, and 50 acres on McConnell Run. By 1816 he was in Gallatin Co. and in 1817 James and wife Mary sold their land in Scott Co.

A law suit [1829-1831, box 9, A1989-145, box 20-22, A-22, James Beatty's heirs vs Harrod] stated that William Harrod sold in 1816 the land to James Beatty where he lived. It appears that the deed was placed with John Elliston for safe keeping but can't be found.

À William Beatty filed for Rev. War pension 11/19/1832 in Scott Co. Ky. He was born in Sussex Co. N. J. 10/20/1762. Before the War he lived in Loudoun Co.

va.

A John Beatty was the sheriff of Ulster Co. N. Y. in 1691. The Beattys are said to have come from County Down in Ireland (Beatty File Owen Co. Library). There was a Beatty's Mill located on Lytle's Fork in Scott Co. It was a saw and grist mill that was built by George Beatty in 1812. George was possibly the half-

brother of Molly Beaty, wife of James Beatty.

In an interview of Capt. John Wilson (born about 1780) he states that the old Associated Reformed Church, about two miles from Cherry Spring was on Beatty's land and sometimes called Beatty's Church. James Beatty of Old Ireland, went out in the war of 1812 as a wagon master at the age of 64-was wagon master major. From that he was called major. William A. Beatty, his son at Zenia was a major. [This seems to fit the James Beatty who left a Scott Co. will 7 April 1822 naming William A. Beatty and granddaughter Sary Ann].

The inventory of the estate of John Beatty was dated in 1808-adm. Nancy Beatty. Also Nancy Beatty was the widow of John. Other names mentioned were

Sally Beatty, Benjamin Robinson, Jr. & Polly his wife & James Beatty.

The 1880 census of Daniel Beatty, son of James & Molly Beatty gave his parents as born in Delaware.

It seems reasonable to assume that all the Beattys in early Scott County Kentucky were related somehow. Most likely James Beatty was a close relative to his wife Mary Beatty. The locations of Loudoun Co. Va. and Sussex Co. New Jersey also appear in connection with some other Beattys. A George Beatty



**Everett Beatty** 

[Rev. War veteran] married Sarah in 1786 in Loudoun Co. Va. George died in 1799 in Montgomery Co. Ky. Sarah then married his brother John [Rev. War veteran] in 1801. One son was Daniel Beatty. John died in 1839 in Montgomery Co. Ky. George and Sarah had a James, born 1788. There was also a Daniel Beatty living in 1832 in Montgomery Co. Ky. He was born in New Jersey 4 April1758. He also resided in Loudoun Co. Va. A James Beatty [Rev. War veteran] who was 71 in 1832 resided in Fayette Co. Pa and Sussex Co. NJ.

The Honorable G. H. Beatty was the grandson of George Beatty, born at Trenton New Jersey about the middle of the 18th century. Seven of his brothers served in the army during the Revolutionary War [it's not clear if it was G. H. or George's brothers or which was born at Trenton]. It's reported that some Beattys were originally from Scotland

and went to Ireland. John Beatty of the north of Ireland had 2 sons, Samuel and Joseph who migrated to America settling near Cumberland, Pa.

The names George and Daniel appearing in these other families also appears in the list of James and Molly's children.

Everett Beatty [pictured] was the great grandson of Daniel R. Beatty, brother to Ellender Beatty Ayres. His mother was Roxie Ayres.

# Thorpe

Florinda Goode was first married to Thomas Thorpe [son of Thomas Thorpe] before her marriage to Thomas Ayres and left descendants by that marriage.



## Sneed

Mary Coleman before her marriage to Thomas Ayres, was married to Benjamin Sneed by whom she had several children.

Pictured here is Samuel Garvey, Jr. His great grandparents were Benjamin and Mary Coleman Sneed. Samuel was a 4th great grandson of Florinda Goode through her Thorpe marriage. Florinda was later married to Thomas Ayres. Samuel is also related to the descendants of Sarah Thornton [a Garvey descendant] and Christopher Columbus Ayres. Samuel was a first cousin to Elizabeth Slaughter Thornton, mother of Sarah Ayres.

# Descendants of William Beatty

#### Generation No. 1

1. William<sup>1</sup> Beatty was born Abt. 1735 in Va., and died 1803 in Scott Co. Ky.. He married (1) Unknown. She died Unknown. He married (2) Sarah. She was born Bef. 1765 in Va., and died 15 Oct 1828.

# Children of William Beatty and Unknown are:

- + 2 i. Molly<sup>2</sup> Beatty, born Bef. 1765 in Delaware; died Bet. 1817 1825.
  - 3 ii. John Beatty, died Unknown.
  - 4 iii. William Beatty, born Bet. 1764 1784; died Unknown.
  - 5 iv. Betsy Beatty, died Unknown. She married Matthew Cragmyle 1796; died Unknown.

More About Matthew Cragmyle and Betsy Beatty:

Marriage: 1796

6 v. Jamey Beatty, died Unknown.

# Children of William Beatty and Sarah are:

- + 7 i. George<sup>2</sup> Beatty, born 30 Jan 1783; died 18 Oct 1859.
- + 8 ii. Joseph Beatty, born Abt. 1789 in Va.; died Aft. 1880.
  - 9 iii. Howard Beatty, died Unknown.
  - iv. Sally Beatty, died Unknown.
  - v. Nancy Beatty, died Unknown.
  - vi. Stewart Beatty, died Unknown.

## Generation No. 2

**2.** Molly<sup>2</sup> Beatty (William<sup>1</sup>) was born Bef. 1765 in Delaware, and died Bet. 1817 - 1825. She married James Beatty. He was born Abt. 1764 in Delaware, and died Abt. 1825 in Owen Co. Ky.<sup>1</sup>.

#### More About Molly Beatty:

Source to Father: 23 Aug 1800, Scott Co. Ky. Will Book A page 173

## More About James Beatty:

Fact 1: 13 Jun 1821, names children-50 acres adjoining widow Ayres

## Children of Molly Beatty and James Beatty are:

- + 13 i. Elizabeth<sup>3</sup> Beatty, born Abt. 1790 in Virginia; died Aft. 1850.
  - ii. George S. Beatty, born Abt. 1794; died Unknown.
- + 15 iii. William W. Beatty, born Abt. 1796 in Kentucky; died 23 May 1845.
- + 16 iv. Ellender Beatty, born Abt. 1799 in Ky.; died 16 Nov 1862 in Owen Co. Ky..
  - v. Mary Beatty, born Bet. 1800 1810; died Unknown.
- + 18 vi. Sarah Beatty, born Bet. 1800 1810 in Ky; died Unknown.
- + 19 vii. Daniel R. Beatty, born Abt. 1802 in Ky; died Aft. 1880.

**7.** George<sup>2</sup> Beatty (William<sup>1</sup>) was born 30 Jan 1783, and died 18 Oct 1859. He married Patsy Thomason May 1806, daughter of Samuel Thomason. She was born 01 Jul 1785, and died 14 Feb 1846.

More About George Beatty and Patsy Thomason:

Marriage: May 1806

Children of George Beatty and Patsy Thomason are:

 i. Eliza<sup>3</sup> Beatty, born 26 Mar 1807; died Unknown. She married David Thomason 11 Sep 1827; died Unknown.

More About David Thomason and Eliza Beatty:

Marriage: 11 Sep 1827

- 21 ii. Matson Beatty, born 17 Sep 1809; died Unknown.
- 22 iii. Nancy Beatty, born 11 Sep 1811; died 09 Feb 1833. She married Harvey Moore 11 Aug 1831; died Unknown.

More About Harvey Moore and Nancy Beatty:

Marriage: 11 Aug 1831

iv. Julia F. Beatty, born 31 Dec 1813; died 22 Nov 1840. She married Augustine Foree 23 May 1832; died Unknown.

More About Augustine Foree and Julia Beatty:

Marriage: 23 May 1832

- v. Amanda Beatty, born 24 Feb 1816; died Unknown.
- vi. William S. Beatty, born 14 Feb 1819; died Unknown.
- 26 vii. Henry C. Beatty, born 12 May 1821; died 09 Mar 1835.
- viii. Martha M. Beatty, born 05 Sep 1823; died Unknown.
- 28 ix. James A. Beatty, born 21 Jun 1826; died 08 Sep 1848.
- **8.** Joseph<sup>2</sup> Beatty (William<sup>1</sup>) was born Abt. 1789 in Va., and died Aft. 1880.

More About Joseph Beatty:

Residence: 1880, Stamping Ground Scott Co. Ky.

Child of Joseph Beatty is:

+ 29 i. Helen<sup>3</sup> Beatty, born Abt. 1828; died Unknown.

Generation No. 3

**13.** Elizabeth<sup>3</sup> Beatty (Molly<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>) was born Abt. 1790 in Virginia, and died Aft. 1850. She married **Isaac Maddox** 12 Jun 1827 in Owen Co. Ky.. He was born in Md., and died Bef. 24 Oct 1840 in Owen Co. Ky.

More About Isaac Maddox and Elizabeth Beatty:

Marriage: 12 Jun 1827, Owen Co. Ky.

# Children of Elizabeth Beatty and Isaac Maddox are:

- + 30 i. Mary Jane<sup>4</sup> Maddox, born Abt. 1830 in Ky; died 1899 in Kittatas Co. WA.
- + 31 ii. Theodora Ann Americus Maddox, born 04 May 1834 in Owen Co. Ky; died 1918 in Illinois.
  - 32 iii. William Lewis Maddox, born Abt. 1837; died Unknown.

More About William Lewis Maddox: Misc.: 1860, He is listed with Sam Ayres

**15.** William W.<sup>3</sup> Beatty (Molly<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>) was born Abt. 1796 in Kentucky, and died 23 May 1845. He married Nancy Brock 25 Mar 1819 in Gallatin Co. Ky., daughter of John Brock and Unknown. She was born Abt. 1801 in ky, and died Aft. 1880.

More About William W. Beatty:

Misc.: death recorded in Poplar Grove Church minutes

More About William Beatty and Nancy Brock:

Marriage: 25 Mar 1819, Gallatin Co. Ky.

# Children of William Beatty and Nancy Brock are:

- + 33 i. Zerelda Emarine<sup>4</sup> Beatty, born 21 Dec 1825; died Bef. 1875 in Illinois.
- + 34 ii. John Henry Beatty, born 13 Jan 1828; died 03 Apr 1880.
- 35 iii. Samuel Beatty, born Abt. 1832; died Unknown.
- + 36 iv. Lemuel Beatty, born 15 Oct 1832; died 22 Jul 1903.
  - v. George W. Beatty, born Abt. 1841; died Unknown.
- + 38 vi. Charles H. Beatty, born Abt. 1845; died Unknown.

**16.** Ellender<sup>3</sup> Beatty (Molly<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>) was born Abt. 1799 in Ky.<sup>2</sup>, and died 16 Nov 1862 in Owen Co. Ky.<sup>3</sup>. She married **Lewis Ayres** 13 Nov 1822 in Owen Co. Ky.<sup>4</sup>, son of Thomas Ayres and Mary Coleman. He was born 1789 in Caroline Co. Virginia<sup>5,6,7,8,9</sup>, and died 09 Nov 1869 in Owen Co. Ky.<sup>10</sup>.

More About Ellender Beatty:

Burial: Unknown, Poplar Grove on Family Farm

Source to Mother: Bet. 1800 - 1817<sup>11,12</sup>

Source to Father: 1821<sup>13,14</sup>

More About Lewis Ayres:

Burial: 1869, Poplar Grove on Family Farm<sup>15</sup>

Cause of Death: Inflammation of lungs

Military service: 28 Aug 1813, 2nd Serg. John H. Morris Co. KY Mounted Vol. Militia War 1812

Residence: 1869, Mortality Schedule -With son Samuel

Source to Mother: See Mary Coleman "Name", "Marriage", Source to Father,

Source to Father: 23 Nov 1811, See Thomas Ayres "Death"

More About Lewis Ayres and Ellender Beatty:

Marriage: 13 Nov 1822, Owen Co. Ky. 16

Children of Ellender Beatty and Lewis Ayres are:

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- + 39 i. James Thomas<sup>4</sup> Ayres, born 09 Jan 1828 in Owen Co. Ky.; died 18 Dec 1910.
- + 40 ii. Lewis Samuel Ayres, born 20 Aug 1832 in Owen Co. Ky.; died 22 May 1916 in (near) Holbrook Owen Co. Ky. at 4 A. M..
- + 41 iii. Christopher Columbus Sanford Bradford Ayres, born 23 Aug 1834 in Owen Co. Ky.; died 07 Jul 1913 in His Home.
  - 42 iv. John F. Ayres, born Abt. 1838; died Abt. 1863.
- **18.** Sarah<sup>3</sup> Beatty (Molly<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>) was born Bet. 1800 1810 in Ky, and died Unknown. She married **Benjamin Jacobs** 24 Feb 1822 in Owen Co. Ky.. He was born Abt. 1800 in Va., and died Aft. 1880.

More About Benjamin Jacobs and Sarah Beatty:

Marriage: 24 Feb 1822, Owen Co. Ky.

Child of Sarah Beatty and Benjamin Jacobs is:

- + 43 i. John W.<sup>4</sup> Jacobs, born Abt. 1828 in Ky; died Unknown.
- **19. Daniel R.**<sup>3</sup> **Beatty** (Molly<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>) was born Abt. 1802 in Ky, and died Aft. 1880. He married **Elizabeth Stewart** 28 Nov 1833 in Owen Co. Ky.. She was born Abt. 1811, and died Aft. 1880.

More About Daniel Beatty and Elizabeth Stewart:

Marriage: 28 Nov 1833, Owen Co. Ky.

Children of Daniel Beatty and Elizabeth Stewart are:

- i. Sarah J.<sup>4</sup> Beatty, born Abt. 1837; died Unknown.
- ii. Mary Margaret Beatty, born Abt. 1838; died Unknown.
- 46 iii. Alfred E. Beatty, born Abt. 1839; died Unknown.
- iv. James R. Beatty, born Abt. 1840; died Unknown.
- v. George W. Beatty, born Abt. 1842; died Unknown.
- vi. Narcissus Beatty, born Abt. 1846; died Unknown.
- vii. Robert Beatty, born Abt. 1853; died Unknown.
  - viii. Daniel Beatty, born Abt. 1859; died Unknown.
- **29.** Helen<sup>3</sup> Beatty (Joseph<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>) was born Abt. 1828, and died Unknown. She married ??? Rearding. He died Unknown.

Children of Helen Beatty and ??? Rearding are:

- i. Nannie S.<sup>4</sup> Rearding, born Abt. 1859; died Unknown.
- ii. Pattie Rearding, born Abt. 1860; died Unknown.
- 54 iii. Fannie Rearding, born Abt. 1861; died Unknown.
- iv. Chapman Rearding, born Abt. 1862; died Unknown.
- v. Robert Rearding, born Abt. 1864; died Unknown.
- vi. Clarence Rearding, born Abt. 1866; died Unknown.

#### Generation No. 4

**30.** Mary Jane<sup>4</sup> Maddox (Elizabeth<sup>3</sup> Beatty, Molly<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>) was born Abt. 1830 in Ky, and

Related Lines: 101

died 1899 in Kittatas Co. WA. She married **James Alexander Woodyard** 23 Aug 1849 in Owen Co. Ky., son of Peyton Woodyard and Martha Gurley. He was born 10 Jun 1829 in Switzerland Co. In, and died 06 Jun 1912 in Ellensburg, Kittitas Co., Washington.

More About Mary Jane Maddox:

Misc.: Photo Album page 25

More About James Alexander Woodyard:

Cause of Death: Cerebral apoplexy

Occupation: Ordained to preach in 1874

More About James Woodyard and Mary Maddox:

Marriage: 23 Aug 1849, Owen Co. Ky.

## Children of Mary Maddox and James Woodyard are:

 Martha Ann Elizabeth Jane<sup>5</sup> Woodyard, born 1851; died 24 Mar 1923 in New Orleans. She married Emery Emmett Marks 19 Feb 1874 in Clinton, Henry Co. Mo.; born 02 Feb 1845 in Bucks Co. Pa; died Unknown.

More About Martha Ann Elizabeth Jane Woodyard:

Burial: Unknown, New Orleans

More About Emery Marks and Martha Woodyard:

Marriage: 19 Feb 1874, Clinton, Henry Co. Mo.

- 59 ii. Melissa E. Woodyard, born 27 Nov 1852; died 26 Jun 1927. She married William P. Sherman; died Unknown.
- 60 iii. Isabel Woodyard, born Aug 1855; died Unknown. She married John Heavener; died Unknown.
- 61 iv. Peyton A. Woodyard, born 10 Apr 1858 in MO; died Unknown in WA.
- 62 v. John A. Woodyard, born 23 Aug 1861 in MO; died Unknown. He married Minnie Rogers; died Unknown.
- vi. Catherine Mae Woodyard, born 17 Mar 1868 in MO; died Unknown. She married Grant Dawson; died Unknown.
- vii. James A. Woodyard, born 22 May 1871 in MO; died Unknown.

**31.** Theodora Ann Americus<sup>4</sup> Maddox (Elizabeth<sup>3</sup> Beatty, Molly<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>) was born 04 May 1834 in Owen Co. Ky, and died 1918 in Illinois. She married **Sanford Mcintire** 16 Nov 1854 in Sangamon Co. Illinois. He was born Abt. 1832 in Scott Co. Ky, and died Unknown.

More About Sanford Mcintire and Theodora Maddox:

Marriage: 16 Nov 1854, Sangamon Co. Illinois

## Children of Theodora Maddox and Sanford Mcintire are:

- i. James W.<sup>5</sup> Mcintire, born 06 Apr 1856 in Mechanicsburg, Illinois; died Unknown.
- ii. John H. Mcintire, born Abt. 1859 in Illinois; died Unknown.
- iii. Thomas Mcintire, born Abt. 1861; died Unknown.
- iv. Joseph Mcintire, born Abt. 1864; died Unknown.
- v. Elizabeth Mcintire, born Abt. 1865; died Unknown.
- vi. Charles Mcintire, born Abt. 1872; died Unknown.
- vii. Luella Mcintire, born Abt. 1875; died Unknown.

Related Lines: 102

**33. Zerelda Emarine<sup>4</sup> Beatty** (William W.<sup>3</sup>, Molly<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>) was born 21 Dec 1825, and died Bef. 1875 in Illinois. She married **Sandford B. Ayres** 05 Jan 1841 in Owen Co. Ky., son of Daniel Ayres and Susannah Sale. He was born 29 Jul 1811 in Kentucky<sup>17</sup>, and died 27 Aug 1875 in Sangamon Co. Illinois.

More About Sandford B. Ayres:

Source of Descendants: 17 Mar 2002<sup>18</sup>

More About Sandford Ayres and Zerelda Beatty:

Marriage: 05 Jan 1841, Owen Co. Ky.

# Children of Zerelda Beatty and Sandford Ayres are:

i. Robert William<sup>5</sup> Ayres, born 23 Dec 1841; died Unknown.

ii. Mary Elizabeth Ayres, born 23 Dec 1842 in Ky; died 29 Jan 1927 in Macon Co. Illinois. She married Doctor Turpin Jan 1869 in Sangamon Co. Illinois; born 10 Sep 1841 in Brownsburg Hendricks Co. IN; died 30 Apr 1913 in Macon Co. Illinois.

More About Doctor Turpin and Mary Ayres: Marriage: Jan 1869, Sangamon Co. Illinois

- iii. John J. Ayres, born 11 Dec 1845; died Unknown.
- 75 iv. Sarah Catherine Ayres, born 16 Apr 1848 in Kentucky; died 05 May 1923 in Hendrick Co. Indiana. She married Thomas Granville Bullock 10 Aug 1868 in Sangamon Co. Illinois; born 26 Mar 1846 in Putnam Co. IN; died 18 May 1915 in Brownsburg Hendricks Co. IN.

More About Sarah Catherine Ayres:

Misc.: Photo Album page 17

More About Thomas Bullock and Sarah Ayres: Marriage: 10 Aug 1868, Sangamon Co. Illinois

- v. Nancy Susan Ayres, born 09 Oct 1849; died Unknown.
- vi. Lemuel Ayres, born 14 Oct 1850; died Unknown.
- vii. Francis W. Ayres, born 14 Oct 1861; died 1934. He married Rose Ayres; born Abt. 1860 in Missouri; died Unknown.
- **34.** John Henry<sup>4</sup> Beatty (William W.<sup>3</sup>, Molly<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>) was born 13 Jan 1828, and died 03 Apr 1880. He married **Georgia Ann**. She was born 23 Dec 1822, and died 01 Sep 1897.

More About John Henry Beatty:

Burial: Unknown, Poplar Grove

Child of John Beatty and Georgia Ann is:

- i. John William<sup>5</sup> Beatty, born 1847; died 1880. He married Kate Spencer; born 1850; died 1938.
- **36.** Lemuel<sup>4</sup> Beatty (William W.<sup>3</sup>, Molly<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>) was born 15 Oct 1832, and died 22 Jul 1903. He married **Armilda MaCintire**. She was born 16 Jun 1836, and died 20 May 1917.

More About Lemuel Beatty:

Burial: Unknown, Poplar Grove

More About Armilda MaCintire: Burial: Unknown, Poplar Grove

## Children of Lemuel Beatty and Armilda MaCintire are:

- i. Emma<sup>5</sup> Beatty, born Abt. 1856; died Unknown.
- 81 ii. William W. Beatty, born 1859; died 1927. He married Rosa C.; born Abt. 1869; died Unknown.

More About William W. Beatty: Burial: Unknown, Poplar Grove

- 82 iii. Nancy J. Beatty, born Abt. 1863; died Unknown.
- iv. Iona Beatty, born 10 Oct 1866; died 23 Jun 1901. She married J. T. Herndon; born 09 Aug 1861; died Unknown.
- v. John H. Beatty, born 06 Nov 1868 in Owen Co. Ky.; died 13 Nov 1951 in Oldham Co. Ky. He married Laura B. Ayres 1898 in Jonesville (license prb Kenton); born 1875; died 1965.

More About John H. Beatty:

Burial: Unknown, Hillcrest Cemetery at Dry Ridge (38/41/55;84/35/19)

More About Laura B. Ayres:

Burial: Unknown, Hillcrest Cemetery at Dry Ridge Ky (C42)

Misc.: 1896, Visited her uncle Joe Franks

Residence: 1910, Owen Co. Ky.

More About John Beatty and Laura Ayres: Marriage: 1898, Jonesville (license prb Kenton)

Misc: Book 17, page 44

vi. Albert H. Beatty, born 10 Feb 1873; died 20 Jan 1938.

More About Albert H. Beatty: Burial: Unknown, Poplar Grove

- 86 vii. Elzie K. Beatty, born Abt. 1876; died Unknown. He married Letitia; born Abt. 1882; died Unknown.
- **38.** Charles H.<sup>4</sup> Beatty (William W.<sup>3</sup>, Molly<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>) was born Abt. 1845, and died Unknown. He married **Salina Chrisman** in Grant Co. Ky., daughter of Nancy. She was born Abt. 1843, and died Unknown.

More About Charles Beatty and Salina Chrisman:

Marriage: Grant Co. Ky.

Children of Charles Beatty and Salina Chrisman are:

- i. Mary Nancy<sup>5</sup> Beatty, born Abt. 1874; died Unknown.
- ii. James W. Beatty, born Abt. 1876; died Unknown.
- **39.** James Thomas<sup>4</sup> Ayres (Ellender<sup>3</sup> Beatty, Molly<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>) $^{19,20}$  was born 09 Jan 1828 in Owen Co. Ky. $^{21,22}$ , and died 18 Dec 1910 $^{23}$ . He married Mary E. Franks 22 Jun 1869 in Grant Co.

Ky., daughter of James Franks and Franky Cowgill. She was born 15 Nov 1836<sup>24</sup>, and died 30 Jul 1901<sup>25</sup>.

More About James Thomas Ayres:

Burial: 1910, Jonesville Masonic Cemetery (N38/38/32 W84/46/27)

Fact 1: bur Jonesville Masonic Fact 2: Prb. named for grandfathers

Military service: Confederate Army Orphan's Brigade

Misc.: Also known as Pascal and Pack Ayres Source to Father: See Stf for Christopher

More About Mary E. Franks:

Burial: 1901, Macedonia Baptist Church Cemetery Jonesville, Ky

More About James Ayres and Mary Franks:

Children: 1900, Mother of 6 4 living Marriage: 22 Jun 1869, Grant Co. Ky.

Misc: 1869, Married by P. B. Shepherd at the Seymour House

## Children of James Ayres and Mary Franks are:

i. John Thomas<sup>5</sup> Ayres, born 23 May 1870; died 27 Aug 1894. He married Ida B. Hammond 30 Jul 1892; born Dec 1872; died Unknown.

More About John Thomas Ayres:

Burial: Unknown, Macedonia B. C. Jonesville

More About John Ayres and Ida Hammond:

Marriage: 30 Jul 1892

90 ii. Buenos Edward Ayres, born 28 Mar 1872 in Grant Co. Ky.; died 20 Dec 1955 in Carroll County Ky. He married (1) Georgia Ann Chandler Bef. 1898; born 1874; died 1908. He married (2) Dora Cobb Bef. 1914; born 1889 in Owen; died 10 Feb 1924 in Owen Co. Ky.. He married (3) Martha Bell Mefford 01 Feb 1930; born 14 Jan 1892; died Unknown.

More About Buenos Edward Ayres:

Burial: Unknown, Owenton Cemetery

Fact 1: Photo Album page 2

Misc.: Owned house in New Liberty 1916-1950 that was featured in newspaper;now owned by

Bobby & Linda Webster Occupation: Land Trader

More About Buenos Ayres and Georgia Chandler:

Marriage: Bef. 1898

More About Buenos Ayres and Dora Cobb:

Marriage: Bef. 1914

More About Buenos Ayres and Martha Mefford:

Divorce: 1942

Marriage: 01 Feb 1930

91 iii. William Jasper Ayres, born 13 Dec 1873; died 21 Jul 1925 in His Home. He married (1) Minnie Jones Chandler 08 Nov 1894; born 11 Jun 1879 in Owen; died 19 Nov 1917 in Owen. He married

(2) Artie Missie Wright Butts 08 Nov 1918 in Covington Ky.; born 15 Sep 1876 in Owen; died 22 Jul 1920. He married (3) Florence M. Carter 06 Nov 1922 in Owen Co. Ky.; born 1876; died 24 Mar 1966 in Owen Co. Ky..

More About William Jasper Ayres:

Misc.: Raised his family on Snell Road farm Source to Mother: 1925, Death Certificate<sup>26</sup>

More About Minnie Jones Chandler:

Burial: 21 Nov 1917, Owenton

Cause of Death: pulmonary tuberculosis

More About William Ayres and Minnie Chandler:

Marriage: 08 Nov 1894

More About Artie Missie Wright Butts: Burial: 24 Jul 1920, Poplar Grove Medical Information: Hodgkins Disease

More About William Ayres and Artie Butts: Marriage: 08 Nov 1918, Covington Ky.

More About William Ayres and Florence Carter:

Marriage: 06 Nov 1922, Owen Co. Ky.

92 iv. Laura B. Ayres, born 1875; died 1965. She married John H. Beatty 1898 in Jonesville (license prb Kenton); born 06 Nov 1868 in Owen Co. Ky.; died 13 Nov 1951 in Oldham Co. Ky.

More About Laura B. Ayres:

Burial: Unknown, Hillcrest Cemetery at Dry Ridge Ky (C42)

Misc.: 1896, Visited her uncle Joe Franks

Residence: 1910, Owen Co. Ky.

More About John H. Beatty:

Burial: Unknown, Hillcrest Cemetery at Dry Ridge (38/41/55;84/35/19)

More About John Beatty and Laura Ayres: Marriage: 1898, Jonesville (license prb Kenton)

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**40.** Lewis Samuel<sup>4</sup> Ayres (Ellender<sup>3</sup> Beatty, Molly<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>) was born 20 Aug 1832 in Owen Co. Ky.<sup>27</sup>, and died 22 May 1916 in (near) Holbrook Owen Co. Ky. at 4 A. M.<sup>28</sup>. He married Susan Elizabeth Herndon 23 Nov 1852 in Owen Co. Ky., daughter of George Herndon and Martha Moore. She was born Abt. 1837 in Owen Co. Ky., and died 1896 in Owen Co. Ky.<sup>29</sup>.

More About Lewis Samuel Ayres:

Burial: 23 May 1916, Jonesville, Ky

Cause of Death: Chronic dysentery contributed by lack of proper nourishment

Misc.: Commonly known as Sam

Source to Father: See Stf for Christopher Source to Parents: 1916, DC 13909

More About Lewis Ayres and Susan Herndon:

Marriage: 23 Nov 1852, Owen Co. Ky.

## Children of Lewis Ayres and Susan Herndon are:

i. George W.<sup>5</sup> Ayres, born 10 Oct 1853; died 14 Feb 1934 in Shelby Co. Ky.. He married Elmina Melinnet Boulton Abt. 1880; born 06 Oct 1864 in Owen Co. Ky.; died 23 Nov 1952 in Henry Co. Ky..

More About George W. Ayres: Burial: Unknown, Eminence

Cause of Death: arterioscelerosis/ cerebral hemorrage

Misc.: Photo Album page 6- children Residence: 1930, King Street Eminence

More About Elmina Melinnet Boulton: Burial: 25 Nov 1952, Eminence Cemetery Cause of Death: Cerebral thrombosis

More About George Ayres and Elmina Boulton:

Marriage: Abt. 1880

94 ii. John Lewis Ayres, born 22 Jan 1858 in Owen Co. Ky. at Poplar Grove; died 17 Jul 1932 in Glencoe, Gallatin Co. Ky.. He married Amanda Catherine Jump 18 Nov 1886 in Grant Co. Ky.; born Aug 1869 in Grant Co. Ky.; died 24 Mar 1917 in Gallatin Co. Ky..

More About John Lewis Ayres: Burial: 19 Jul 1932, Poplar Grove Cause of Death: Heart Block

Misc.: 1932, 8 children survived him Occupation: Section worker L & N RR Source to Father: death cert 16045

More About Amanda Catherine Jump: Burial: Unknown, Poplar Grove

Residence: Holbrook

More About John Ayres and Amanda Jump: Marriage: 18 Nov 1886, Grant Co. Ky.

95 iii. Martha E. Ayres, born 01 Sep 1861 in Owen Co. Ky.; died 01 Sep 1915 in Owen Co. Ky.. She married Joseph T. Wright Abt. 1880; born Mar 1862; died Bef. 1910.

More About Martha E. Ayres: Burial: 03 Sep 1915, Poplar Grove Cause of Death: Stomach cancer

Misc.: Dc 22977

More About Joseph Wright and Martha Ayres:

Marriage: Abt. 1880

96 iv. Tibby Ayres, born Abt. 1864; died Feb 1870 in Poplar Grove, Owen Co., Ky.

More About Tibby Ayres: Cause of Death: Scarlet Fever

Residence: 1870, Household 72 (Sam Ayres)

97 v. James Thomas Ayres, born 22 Dec 1867 in Owen Co. Ky.; died 05 Sep 1936 in Owen County. He

married Polly Perry 24 May 1899; born Jan 1872; died Unknown.

More About James Thomas Ayres: Burial: 06 Sep 1936, Holbrook Medical Information: Blind Misc.: Photo Album page 5 Source to Father: death cert 25617

More About James Ayres and Polly Perry:

Marriage: 24 May 1899

98 vi. Robert Ayres, born Abt. 1870; died 28 Feb 1901 in Holbrook.

More About Robert Ayres:

Cause of Death: Suicide by hanging

Misc.: Photo Album page 5

99 vii. Peter Ayres, born 12 Jun 1873 in Owen Co. Ky.; died 28 Aug 1936 in Gallatin Co. Ky..

More About Peter Ayres:

Burial: 30 Aug 1936, Jonesville Masonic Cemetery (N38/38/30 W84/46/25)

Cause of Death: Suicide by hanging

Fact 1: Called rapping spirits

Misc.: 1928, Bought lot 47 in Glencoe from Stella Ayres

viii. Roxie R. Ayres, born Mar 1877; died 15 Dec 1953 in Grant Co. Ky. at home on Elliston Road near Jonesville. She married (1) George W. Wright 17 Apr 1898; born Feb 1848; died 1911. She married (2) Albert Ross Beatty 18 Nov 1914 in Warsaw Ky.; born 1877; died 17 Feb 1963 in Kenton Co. Ky.

More About Roxie R. Ayres:

Burial: Unknown, Poplar Grove

Misc.: Roxie was a small woman that played a fiddle (small) and smoked a pipe

More About George W. Wright: Burial: Unknown, Poplar Grove

More About George Wright and Roxie Ayres:

Marriage: 17 Apr 1898

More About Albert Ross Beatty: Burial: Unknown, Poplar Grove Residence: 1930, Brush Creek Pike

More About Albert Beatty and Roxie Ayres: Marriage: 18 Nov 1914, Warsaw Ky.

**41.** Christopher Columbus Sanford Bradford<sup>4</sup> Ayres (Ellender<sup>3</sup> Beatty, Molly<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>)<sup>30</sup> was born 23 Aug 1834 in Owen Co. Ky.<sup>31</sup>, and died 07 Jul 1913 in His Home<sup>32</sup>. He married Sarah Ann Thornton 10 Jan 1861 in Owen Co. Ky.<sup>33</sup>, daughter of Phillip Thornton and Elizabeth Slaughter. She was born 20 Jul 1841 in Ky.<sup>34</sup>, and died 18 Dec 1928<sup>35</sup>.

More About Christopher Columbus Sanford Bradford Ayres:

Burial: 09 Jul 1913, Squiresville Cemetery N38/32/43; W84/57/45

Cause of Death: Paralysis

Fact 2: Champion fiddle player

Fact 3: Name:see L5

Misc.: Commonly known as Lum

Occupation: Farmer

Source to Parents: 20 Jul 1866, Will Book F p. 1 Owen Co. Ky./1913 d.c.<sup>36,37</sup>

More About Sarah Ann Thornton:

Burial: 1928, Squiresville Cause of Death: acute gastritis

Fact 1: Picture in Pictorial History p. 41

Medical Information: senility

Source to Mother: Source F +Father's marriage+<sup>38</sup>

Source to Father: 1928, death certificate<sup>39</sup>

More About Christopher Ayres and Sarah Thornton:

Marriage: 10 Jan 1861, Owen Co. Ky. 40

## Children of Christopher Ayres and Sarah Thornton are:

i. Mary Elizabeth<sup>5</sup> Ayres, born 18 Sep 1861 in Owen Co. Ky.<sup>41</sup>; died 05 Nov 1943. She married Thomas W. Morgan 13 Jan 1880; born 09 Mar 1853; died 12 Jan 1913.

More About Mary Elizabeth Ayres:

Burial: 1943, Squiresville

Misc.: Some descendants & dates given in Morgan-Ligon<sup>42</sup>

Residence: Abt. 1935, North Adams (now Main St.) Owenton Ky with relatives (4 generations)

More About Thomas Morgan and Mary Ayres:

Marriage: 13 Jan 1880

ii. Charles William Ayres, born 26 Jul 1864 in Owen Co. Ky.<sup>43</sup>; died 25 Oct 1909 in Owen Co. Ky.<sup>44</sup>. He married Fannie Catherine Eads May 1896<sup>45,46</sup>; born 10 Apr 1878 in Gallatin Co. Ky.<sup>47</sup>; died 18 Feb 1964<sup>48</sup>.

More About Charles William Ayres: Burial: 28 Oct 1909, Squiresville Cause of Death: Typhoid Fever Fact 1: 1900, Res Owen Co. Ky. Misc.: Photo Album page 10 Source to Father: Census<sup>49,50</sup>

More About Fannie Catherine Eads:

Burial: Unknown, Squiresville

Fact 1: 1880, Res Monterey Dist. Owen Co. Ky.

Misc.: Had brown eyes

Source to Parents: 1900, Census 51

More About Charles Ayres and Fannie Eads:

Marriage: May 1896<sup>52,53</sup>

iii. Estal Ayres, born 15 Jul 1867 in Owen Co. Ky.; died 30 Oct 1947. He married Maggie Cull 21 Oct 1888 in Owen Co. Ky.; born 19 May 1869 in Owen; died 09 May 1940 in Owen.

More About Estal Ayres:

Burial: Unknown, Poplar Grove Cemetery

More About Maggie Cull: Burial: Unknown, Poplar Grove Cause of Death: Cerebral Hemmorhage

Religion: She was baptized by South Fork Baptist in Aug 1899

More About Estal Ayres and Maggie Cull: Marriage: 21 Oct 1888, Owen Co. Ky.

iv. Eliza Jane Ayres, born 16 Nov 1869; died 12 Dec 1950. She married John Henry Kelso 23 Feb 1887 in Owen Co. Ky.; born Abt. 1868; died 12 Dec 1943 in Squiresville.

More About Eliza Jane Ayres: Burial: 14 Dec 1950, Squiresville Cause of Death: Respiratory failure

Medical Information: Acidosis dehydration

Misc.: Photo Album page 11

More About John Henry Kelso:

Misc.: 1919, He's probably the same J. H. Kelso that bought the Hukill Place from S. L. Marston

Marriage Notes for Eliza Ayres and John Kelso:

Married by W. F. Smith-witnesses J. S. Plum & Joel Kemper

More About John Kelso and Eliza Ayres: Marriage: 23 Feb 1887, Owen Co. Ky.

v. Lewis Phillip Ayres, born 24 Mar 1871; died 06 Nov 1948 in Owen Co. Ky. On Twin Creek. He married Fannie Morgan 09 Feb 1893; born 06 May 1874; died 12 Feb 1937 in Sanders, KY.

More About Lewis Phillip Ayres: Burial: 08 Nov 1948, Salem Cemetery Cause of Death: Organic heart disease

Misc.: Photo Album page 12

Religion: Member of South Fork Baptist

More About Lewis Ayres and Fannie Morgan:

Divorce: About 1923 Marriage: 09 Feb 1893

vi. John Samuel Ayres, born 05 Mar 1876 in Owen Co. Ky.; died 28 Aug 1955 in Gallatin Co. Ky.. He married Effie Jane Eads 05 Oct 1899 in Owen Co. Ky.; born 30 Jun 1882; died 1954.

More About John Samuel Ayres: Burial: Unknown, Squiresville Misc.: Photo Album page 12

More About Effie Jane Eads:

Misc.: Brown Eyes

More About John Ayres and Effie Eads: Marriage: 05 Oct 1899, Owen Co. Ky.

vii. Flora Ella Ayres, born 01 Jul 1878 in Owen Co. Ky.; died 03 Jun 1966 in Owen Co. Ky.. She married Reuben B. Kemper 12 Dec 1900 in Owen Co. Ky.; born 21 Aug 1878; died 29 Jan 1931.

More About Flora Ella Ayres: Burial: Unknown, Squiresville Misc.: Photo Album page 13

More About Reuben B. Kemper:

Cause of Death: Died of rabies after carrying off a dead rabid dog with his bare hands

More About Reuben Kemper and Flora Ayres:

Marriage: 12 Dec 1900, Owen Co. Ky.

viii. Mattie Price Ayres, born 18 Apr 1884 in Owen Co. Ky.; died 10 Aug 1967 in Falmouth Hospital. She married (1) Solomon Lego Ligon 10 Apr 1909; born Abt. 1864; died Unknown. She married (2) Edward Hawkins Aft. 1920; died Unknown.

More About Mattie Price Ayres:

Misc.: Photo Album page 13

Religion: Baptized in 1903-South Fork Baptist

More About Solomon Lego Ligon: Burial: Unknown, Salem Cemetery

More About Solomon Ligon and Mattie Ayres:

Marriage: 10 Apr 1909

More About Edward Hawkins and Mattie Ayres:

Marriage: Aft. 1920

**43. John W.<sup>4</sup> Jacobs** (Sarah<sup>3</sup> Beatty, Molly<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>) was born Abt. 1828 in Ky, and died Unknown. He married **Margaret**. She was born Abt. 1840, and died Unknown.

## Children of John Jacobs and Margaret are:

- i. Sarah B.<sup>5</sup> Jacobs, born Abt. 1860; died Unknown.
- ii. Eliza E. Jacobs, born Abt. 1862; died Unknown.
- 111 iii. Dorra Jacobs, born 08 Nov 1865; died 10 Jun 1900.
- iv. William Jacobs, born Abt. 1869; died Unknown.
- v. Margaret Jane Jacobs, born Abt. 1873; died Unknown.
- vi. James Jacobs, born Abt. 1876; died Unknown.
- **50.** Robert<sup>4</sup> Beatty (Daniel R.<sup>3</sup>, Molly<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>) was born Abt. 1853, and died Unknown. He married Mary N. She was born Abt. 1854, and died Unknown.

## Children of Robert Beatty and Mary N. are:

- i. Eveline<sup>5</sup> Beatty, born Abt. 1874; died Unknown.
- ii. Ica Jane Beatty, born Abt. 1875; died Unknown.
- 117 iii. Albert Ross Beatty, born 1877; died 17 Feb 1963 in Kenton Co. Ky. He married Roxie R. Ayres 18 Nov 1914 in Warsaw Ky.; born Mar 1877; died 15 Dec 1953 in Grant Co. Ky. at home on Elliston Road near Jonesville.

More About Albert Ross Beatty: Burial: Unknown, Poplar Grove Residence: 1930, Brush Creek Pike

More About Roxie R. Ayres: Burial: Unknown, Poplar Grove

Misc.: Roxie was a small woman that played a fiddle (small) and smoked a pipe

More About Albert Beatty and Roxie Ayres:

Marriage: 18 Nov 1914, Warsaw Ky.

iv. John C. Beatty, born 1879; died 28 Jul 1957. He married Catherine; born Abt. 1888; died Unknown.

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- 29. Owen County Court, Owen County Ky Wills, Book G p. 51 (will 231).
- 30. Margaret Ayres Welch, Letter to Barry L. Marston, July 1970, [she states his full name; her sister Thelma probably told me first his full name;my grandmother (LAM) and/or her mother told me his full name without S. B. (before 1964); Lacie Ayres Marston knew his nickname was Lum;Leonard Ayres knew one of the brothers was called Lum; Several Ayres branches had heard of Lum].
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- 34. Sarah Thornton Ayres, death certificate no. 32107, Kentucky Vital Statistics, 18 December 1928, birth 20 July 1841.
- 35. Sarah Thornton Ayres, death certificate no. 32107, Kentucky Vital Statistics, death 18 December 1928..
- 36. Christopher Columbus Ayres, death certificate no. 19926, 7 July 1913, Kentucky Vital Statistics, Owen Co., precinct West Owenton, [parents: Louis Ayres, Ella Beaty, informant Estil Ayres].
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# Descendants of Thomas Thorpe

#### Generation No. 1

1. Thomas<sup>1</sup> Thorpe died 1666. He married Alice. She died Unknown.

Child of Thomas Thorpe and Alice is:

+ 2 i. Thomas<sup>2</sup> Thorpe, born Abt. 1664; died Bef. 10 Jun 1704 in Essex Co. Va..

#### Generation No. 2

**2.** Thomas<sup>2</sup> Thorpe (Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born Abt. 1664, and died Bef. 10 Jun 1704 in Essex Co. Va.<sup>1</sup>. He married (1) Florinda Goode<sup>2</sup>, daughter of Richard Goode and Sarah Parker. She was born Bef. 03 Jan 1677/78<sup>3</sup>, and died Bef. 21 Jan 1717/18 in Essex Co. Va.<sup>4</sup>. He married (2) Unknown. She died Unknown.

More About Thomas Thorpe:

Fact 1: will mentions wf and father (in-law) R.Good 1 15 children

More About Florinda Goode: Source to Mother: 1674<sup>5</sup>

Source to Father: 1677, See Birth Source

Child of Thomas Thorpe and Florinda Goode is:

+ 3 i. Thomas<sup>3</sup> Thorpe, born Abt. 1698; died Abt. 1763 in Essex Co. Va..

Children of Thomas Thorpe and Unknown are:

- i. William<sup>3</sup> Thorpe, born Abt. 1688; died Abt. 1757. He married Sarah; died Unknown.
- 5 ii. Hannah Thorpe, born Abt. 1690; died Abt. 1717. She married John Andrews; died Unknown.

#### Generation No. 3

**3.** Thomas<sup>3</sup> Thorpe (Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born Abt. 1698, and died Abt. 1763 in Essex Co. Va.. He married (1) Grace. She died Unknown. He married (2) Frances Abt. 1742. She died Unknown.

More About Thomas Thorpe and Frances:

Marriage: Abt. 1742

Child of Thomas Thorpe and Grace is:

+ 6 i. Thomas<sup>4</sup> Thorpe, born Abt. 1716 in Essex Co. Va.; died 1768 in Essex Co. Va..

Generation No. 4

**6.** Thomas<sup>4</sup> Thorpe (Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born Abt. 1716 in Essex Co. Va., and died 1768 in Essex Co. Va.. He married **Sarah Triplett**, daughter of Daniel Triplett and Sarah. She was born Abt. 1730, and died Aft. 1774.

Children of Thomas Thorpe and Sarah Triplett are:

- + 7 i. Thorpe<sup>5</sup>, died Unknown.
  - 8 ii. Anne Thorpe, died Unknown.
- + 9 iii. Elizabeth Thorpe, died Unknown.
  - iv. Frances Dorcas Thorpe, died Unknown in Adair Co. Ky.. She married Charles Jones 18 May 1780 in Bedford Co. Va.; died Unknown in Adair Co. Ky..

More About Charles Jones and Frances Thorpe:

Marriage: 18 May 1780, Bedford Co. Va.

- + 11 v. Lucinda Thorpe, died Unknown.
  - vi. Mary Thorpe, died Unknown.
  - vii. Thomas J. Thorpe, born 06 Oct 1752 in Essex Co. Va.; died 06 Jul 1818 in Madison Ky.. He married (1) Elizabeth Holliday Abt. 1772; died Unknown. He married (2) Eleanor Helena Jackson 14 Apr 1791 in Bedford Co. Va.; died Unknown.

More About Thomas J. Thorpe:

Burial: Unknown, Muddy Creek

More About Thomas Thorpe and Elizabeth Holliday:

Marriage: Abt. 1772

More About Thomas Thorpe and Eleanor Jackson:

Marriage: 14 Apr 1791, Bedford Co. Va.

viii. Cecelia R. Thorpe, born 10 May 1765; died 30 Apr 1835 in Mason Co. Ky.. She married Benjamin Estes; born Abt. 1753; died 1816.

### Generation No. 5

**7.** Thorpe<sup>5</sup> (Thomas<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) died Unknown. She married William Ayres, son of Thomas Ayres and Mary Scott. He was born Abt. 1731 in St. Anne's Parish Essex Co. Va.<sup>6,7</sup>, and died Bef. 20 Feb 1792 in Essex Co. Va.<sup>8</sup>.

Children of Thorpe and William Ayres are:

- i. Mary Scott<sup>6</sup> Ayres, died Unknown.
- ii. Leven Ayres, died 1817.
- iii. Burtinhead Ayres, died 30 Dec 1804.
- + 18 iv. Samuel Ayres, born 1766 in Essex Co. Va.; died 16 Oct 1824 in Danville, Ky..
- **9.** Elizabeth<sup>5</sup> Thorpe (Thomas<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) died Unknown. She married **Robert E. Elliston**, son of Robert Elliston and Elinor Miller. He was born 1730 in King George Co. Va., and died 1809 in Woodford Co. Ky..

Children of Elizabeth Thorpe and Robert Elliston are:

- i. Robert<sup>6</sup> Elliston, born Abt. 1762; died Bef. 1809.
- 20 ii. Thomas Elliston, born Abt. 1764; died Unknown.
- 21 iii. Sally Elliston, born Abt. 1766; died Unknown. She married Robert Yancey; died Unknown.

- iv. Jenny Elliston, died Unknown.
- v. Nelly Elliston, born Abt. 1768; died Unknown. She married Young; died Unknown.
- vi. Benjamin Elliston, born Abt. 1770 in Culpeper Co. Va; died 26 Dec 1846 in Cren Ky. He married Sally Hiter; died Unknown.
- vii. Betsy Elliston, born Abt. 1772; died Unknown. She married Elisha Lockhart; died Unknown.
- viii. Jacob Percy Elliston, born Abt. 1775; died Unknown. He married Elizabeth Hiter; died Unknown.
- 27 ix. John Elliston, born 26 Mar 1777 in Culpeper Co. Va; died 17 Sep 1835 in Gallatin Co. Ky.
- 28 x. Joseph Thorpe Elliston, born Abt. 1779; died Unknown. He married Louisa Mullen; died Unknown.

More About Joseph Thorpe Elliston:

Occupation: Silversmith

- 29 xi. Katy Elliston, born Abt. 1780; died Unknown. She married George Butler; died Unknown.
- 30 xii. Daniel Triplett Elliston, born Abt. 1781; died Unknown. He married (1) Nancy Watts; died Unknown. He married (2) Priscilla Hammond; died Unknown.
- 11. Lucinda<sup>5</sup> Thorpe (Thomas<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) died Unknown. She married William Plunkett. He died Unknown.

Child of Lucinda Thorpe and William Plunkett is:

i. Lucy<sup>6</sup> Plunkett, born Bef. 1768; died Unknown.

#### Generation No. 6

**18.** Samuel<sup>6</sup> Ayres (Thorpe<sup>5</sup>, Thomas<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 1766 in Essex Co. Va., and died 16 Oct 1824 in Danville, Ky.. He married **Dorothea Graham Jameson** 03 Oct 1792 in Lexington Ky., daughter of Thomas Jameson and Mary Robinson. She was born 27 Jul 1768 in Yorktown, Va., and died 18 Apr 1848 in Danville KY.

More About Samuel Ayres:

Burial: Unknown, Danville KY Cemetery

Misc.: Photo Album page 19

Occupation: 1786, Silversmith in Lexington Ky.<sup>9</sup>

Residence: May 1823, Moved from Lexington to Danville

Source of Descendants: Jameson Family<sup>10</sup>

More About Samuel Ayres and Dorothea Jameson:

Marriage: 03 Oct 1792, Lexington Ky.

## Children of Samuel Ayres and Dorothea Jameson are:

- 32 i. Rebecca<sup>7</sup> Ayres, born 10 Nov 1793; died Bet. 18 Jul 1794 1795.
- 33 ii. David Jameson Ayres, born 20 Jan 1795; died Unknown. He married (1) Maria Garnett; died Unknown. He married (2) Susan Elizabeth Adams 20 Oct 1842 in Fayette Co. Ky.; died Unknown.

More About David Jameson Ayres:

Education: 1817, Was in Medical School at Transylvania

Occupation: Physician

More About Susan Elizabeth Adams:

Residence: Boston, Mass.

More About David Ayres and Susan Adams: Marriage: 20 Oct 1842, Fayette Co. Ky.

- 34 iii. Mahala Ayres, born 22 Sep 1796; died 29 Dec 1804 in Lexington, Ky.
- iv. Martha Thorpe Ayres, born 14 May 1799; died 26 May 1882. She married John Carpenter Yeiser 12 Dec 1847; died Unknown.

More About Martha Thorpe Ayres: Residence: 1870, Danville, Ky.

More About John Yeiser and Martha Ayres:

Marriage: 12 Dec 1847

- v. Mary Ayres, born 14 Dec 1801; died 1803.
- vi. Melinda Ayres, born 17 Dec 1803; died Unknown. She married Edward R. Hollingsworth 28 Mar 1832; died Unknown.

More About Melinda Ayres:

Residence: 1870, Danville, Ky with her sister Martha

More About Edward Hollingsworth and Melinda Ayres:

Marriage: 28 Mar 1832

- + 38 vii. Thomas Robinson Jameson Ayres, born 28 Nov 1805 in Lexington, Ky; died Unknown.
  - viii. William Burton Ayres, born 12 Jan 1808; died 1808.
- + 40 ix. Samuel Ayres, born 10 Jun 1809; died Aft. 1877.
- + 41 x. Dorothy Apphia Jameson Ayres, born 23 Aug 1811; died Unknown.
- **27. John<sup>6</sup> Elliston** (Elizabeth<sup>5</sup> Thorpe, Thomas<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 26 Mar 1777 in Culpeper Co. Va, and died 17 Sep 1835 in Gallatin Co. Ky. He married **Nancy Sneed** 08 Nov 1799 in Mercer Co. Ky, daughter of Benjamin Sneed and Mary Coleman. She was born 1781, and died Unknown.

More About John Elliston and Nancy Sneed:

Marriage: 08 Nov 1799, Mercer Co. Ky

### Children of John Elliston and Nancy Sneed are:

- + 42 i. Maria<sup>7</sup> Elliston, born 25 Jul 1800 in Ky; died 1871 in Illinois.
  - 43 ii. Elizabeth Elliston, born 25 Jan 1802; died Unknown. She married James H. Sale 11 Feb 1819; died Unknown.

More About James Sale and Elizabeth Elliston:

Marriage: 11 Feb 1819

44 iii. Mary C. Elliston, born 15 Feb 1804; died 16 Sep 1844. She married John Elliston 11 Nov 1824; died Unknown.

More About John Elliston and Mary Elliston:

Marriage: 11 Nov 1824

45 iv. Susanna Elliston, born 06 May 1806; died Unknown. She married (1) Austin Knox; died Unknown. She married (2) A. Castleman 05 Jan 1826; died Unknown.

More About A. Castleman and Susanna Elliston:

Marriage: 05 Jan 1826

 v. Joseph T. Elliston, born 26 Aug 1808; died Unknown. He married Penelope Green 08 Nov 1833; died Unknown.

More About Joseph Elliston and Penelope Green:

Marriage: 08 Nov 1833

- + 47 vi. Benjamin S. Elliston, born 24 Feb 1811 in Pleasant Home, Owen Co. Ky; died 10 May 1894 in Hanover, Washington, Ks.
  - 48 vii. Catherine B. Elliston, born 04 May 1813; died 24 Feb 1886 in Ghent Ky. She married William Reeves Scruggs 12 Mar 1830 in Switzerland, In; died Unknown.

More About William Scruggs and Catherine Elliston:

Marriage: 12 Mar 1830, Switzerland, In

49 viii. John Gano Elliston, born 24 Feb 1816; died Unknown. He married Amanda Craigmyle 08 Mar 1833 in Owen Co. Ky.; died Unknown.

More About John Elliston and Amanda Craigmyle:

Marriage: 08 Mar 1833, Owen Co. Ky.

- 50 ix. E. Jane Elliston, born 11 Apr 1819; died 24 Mar 1820.
- 51 x. Jane S. Elliston, born 22 Feb 1821; died 11 Aug 1827.
- 52 xi. Robert Tuck Elliston, born 14 Oct 1825; died Dec 1845 in Illinois.

#### Generation No. 7

**38.** Thomas Robinson Jameson<sup>7</sup> Ayres (Samuel<sup>6</sup>, Thorpe<sup>5</sup>, Thomas<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 28 Nov 1805 in Lexington, Ky, and died Unknown. He married **Sarah Ann Smith** 17 Mar 1840 in Mercer Co. Ky.. She was born Abt. 1820 in Pa./Ohio, and died Unknown.

More About Thomas Robinson Jameson Ayres:

Occupation: Silversmith in Danville Ky. Residence: Aft. 1861, Keokuk, Iowa

More About Thomas Ayres and Sarah Smith:

Marriage: 17 Mar 1840, Mercer Co. Kv.

Children of Thomas Ayres and Sarah Smith are:

- i. Eliza D.<sup>8</sup> Ayres, born Abt. 1841; died Unknown.
- ii. Nathaniel S. Ayres, born Abt. 1843; died Unknown.

More About Nathaniel S. Ayres:

Occupation: 1880, Makes Picture frames

55 iii. David Jameson Ayres, born Abt. 1845; died Unknown.

More About David Jameson Ayres:

Misc.: Democratic delegate to the Chicago convention.

Occupation: 1880, Jeweler Residence: 1892, Keokuk, Iowa

56 iv. Thomas R. Ayres, born Abt. 1847 in Ky; died Aft. 1910.

More About Thomas R. Ayres: Occupation: 1880, Jeweler

Residence: 1910, 303 N. 5th St. Keokuk, Iowa

v. Henrietta Sophia Ayres, born 1849; died Aft. 1910.

More About Henrietta Sophia Ayres: Residence: 1910, With brother Thomas

vi. Samuel Ayres, born Abt. 1853 in Ky; died Unknown.

More About Samuel Ayres: Occupation: 1880, Physician

- vii. Dorothea G. Ayres, born Abt. 1856; died Unknown.
- 60 viii. Joseph James Ayres, born 1859 in Mo; died Aft. 1920. He married Helen Allen Abt. 1897; born Abt. 1868; died Unknown.

More About Joseph James Ayres:

Occupation: 1880, Watch Repairer;1910 Wholesale Merchant Jewelry

Residence: 1910, Jackson Township Keokuk, Lee Co. Iowa

More About Joseph Ayres and Helen Allen:

Marriage: Abt. 1897

**40.** Samuel<sup>7</sup> Ayres (Samuel<sup>6</sup>, Thorpe<sup>5</sup>, Thomas<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 10 Jun 1809, and died Aft. 1877. He married Elsey Malone 23 Jan 1821. She died Unknown.

More About Samuel Ayres:

Misc.: 1870, Wife Mildred (born Ca. 1828)

Occupation: Dentist

More About Samuel Ayres and Elsey Malone:

Marriage: 23 Jan 1821

Children of Samuel Ayres and Elsey Malone are:

- i. Albert<sup>8</sup> Ayres, born Abt. 1852; died Unknown.
- 62 ii. William Ayres, born Abt. 1854; died Unknown.

More About William Ayres: Residence: Louisville, Ky.

iii. Iva Ayres, born Abt. 1856; died Unknown.

More About Iva Ayres: Misc.: Possibly named Iva

iv. Samuel Ayres, born Abt. 1859; died Unknown.

**41. Dorothy Apphia Jameson<sup>7</sup> Ayres** (Samuel<sup>6</sup>, Thorpe<sup>5</sup>, Thomas<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 23 Aug 1811, and died Unknown. She married **John Hollingsworth** 27 Aug 1835 in Mercer Co. Ky.. He was born Abt. 1811, and died Unknown.

More About John Hollingsworth and Dorothy Ayres:

Marriage: 27 Aug 1835, Mercer Co. Ky.

Children of Dorothy Ayres and John Hollingsworth are:

65 i. Martha Ayres<sup>8</sup> Hollingsworth, born Abt. 1836; died Unknown. She married (1) William Bowen; died Unknown. She married (2) R. B. Wood; died Unknown.

More About Martha Ayres Hollingsworth: Residence: Lookout Mountain, Tenn.

- 66 ii. Unknown Hollingsworth, died Unknown. She married Unknown Yeiser; died Unknown.
- 67 iii. Emily Perkins Hollingsworth, born Abt. 1838; died Unknown.
- 68 iv. John Hollingsworth, born Abt. 1842; died Unknown.
- 69 v. Isaac Hollingsworth, died Unknown.
- **42.** Maria<sup>7</sup> Elliston (John<sup>6</sup>, Elizabeth<sup>5</sup> Thorpe, Thomas<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 25 Jul 1800 in Ky, and died 1871 in Illinois. She married **Samuel Garvey** 26 Dec 1816, son of Job Garvey and Elizabeth Claxon. He was born 31 Aug 1794, and died 1881 in Illinois.

More About Samuel Garvey: Military service: War of 1812

More About Samuel Garvey and Maria Elliston:

Marriage: 26 Dec 1816

Children of Maria Elliston and Samuel Garvey are:

- + 70 i. Samuel<sup>8</sup> Garvey, Jr., born 27 Aug 1825 in Owen Co. Ky; died Aft. 1903.
  - 71 ii. Polly Ann Garvey, died Unknown. She married Hampton; died Unknown.
  - 72 iii. Nancy Garvey, died Unknown. She married Hampton; died Unknown.
  - 73 iv. William Garvey, died Unknown.
  - v. Jane Garvey, died Unknown. She married Peedon; died Unknown.
  - vi. John Garvey, died Unknown.
- **47. Benjamin S.**<sup>7</sup> **Elliston** (John<sup>6</sup>, Elizabeth<sup>5</sup> Thorpe, Thomas<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 24 Feb 1811 in Pleasant Home, Owen Co. Ky, and died 10 May 1894 in Hanover, Washington, Ks. He married **Susan T. Sharp** 29 Jan 1833 in Owen Co. Ky., daughter of Willis Sharp and Sally Widner. She was born 15 Feb 1817 in Owen Co. Ky, and died 02 Apr 1887 in Hanover, Washington, Ks.

More About Benjamin Elliston and Susan Sharp:

Marriage: 29 Jan 1833, Owen Co. Ky.

Children of Benjamin Elliston and Susan Sharp are:

- i. John<sup>8</sup> Elliston, died Unknown.
- 77 ii. Mary Catherine Elliston, born 1834; died Unknown. She married George Marion Wood 07 Mar

1851 in Jefferson, Il; died Unknown.

More About George Wood and Mary Elliston:

Marriage: 07 Mar 1851, Jefferson, Il

78 iii. George V. Elliston, born 01 Aug 1836 in Owen Co. Ky; died 18 Apr 1891 in Eberle, Effingham, IL. He married Katurah Knox 29 Mar 1857 in Waltonville, Jefferson, II; died Unknown.

More About George Elliston and Katurah Knox:

Marriage: 29 Mar 1857, Waltonville, Jefferson, Il

- 79 iv. Robert A. Elliston, born 1839; died Unknown.
- 80 v. Newton S. Elliston, born 1841; died 04 Mar 1858.
- vi. Jasper Elliston, born 1843; died Unknown. He married Elizabeth V. McCowen 30 Oct 1862 in Jefferson, II; died Unknown.

More About Jasper Elliston and Elizabeth McCowen:

Marriage: 30 Oct 1862, Jefferson, Il

- vii. Thomas D. Elliston, born 1846; died Unknown.
- viii. Benjamin Franklin Elliston, born 1849; died Unknown.
- ix. Harvey M. Elliston, born 1853; died Unknown.
- 85 x. Permelia A. Elliston, born 1855; died Unknown. She married William W. Shamhart 05 Dec 1876 in Effingham, II; died Unknown.

More About William Shamhart and Permelia Elliston:

Marriage: 05 Dec 1876, Effingham, Il

#### Generation No. 8

**70.** Samuel<sup>8</sup> Garvey, Jr. (Maria<sup>7</sup> Elliston, John<sup>6</sup>, Elizabeth<sup>5</sup> Thorpe, Thomas<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born 27 Aug 1825 in Owen Co. Ky, and died Aft. 1903. He married **Sarah Ann Gideon** 31 Jul 1849. She was born in Ohio, and died 03 Aug 1894.

More About Samuel Garvey and Sarah Gideon:

Marriage: 31 Jul 1849

Children of Samuel Garvey and Sarah Gideon are:

- i. Ann M.9 Garvey, died Unknown. She married George D. Ellington; died Unknown.
- ii. Catherine J. Garvey, died Unknown. She married J. B. Rodgers; died Unknown.
- 88 iii. H. C. Garvey, died Unknown.
- 89 iv. Mary Alice Garvey, died 08 Oct 1902 in Buffalo. She married D. C. Fletcher; died Unknown.
- 90 v. Scott S. Garvey, born Abt. 1867; died 1871.

#### **Endnotes**

- 1. ex deeds no. 11 reel 4 p235-236
- 2. Thomas Thorpe Will, 16 May 1704, proved 10 June 1704, Family History Library (LDS), Essex Co. Wills (have copy) [my loving father (in-law) Richard Goode].
- 3. Isabel Wermeyer, "Research of Ayres, Goode, Lambert, Thorpe", 1994, L 339, Goode: p. 3, Old Rappahannock Co. Va, Deeds & Wills, 1677-1682, p.151 [correspondence to BLM] [Thomas Parker gives a heifer to Florenda Goode, daughter of Richard Goode].
- 4. Thomas Meades Will, 29 January 1716, proved 21 January 1717, Family History Library (LDS), Essex Co. Va. Wills

[Florinda is presumed to have died before Meades will was proved as Thomas had remarried by that date].

- 5. Isabel Wermeyer, "Research of Ayres, Goode, Lambert, Thorpe", Goode: p 2, 3 Nov. 1674, Old Rappahannock Co. Va. Deeds & Wills 5, p 242 [Sarah wife of Richard Goode appointed beloved brother, Thomas Parker...].
- 6. Ruth & Sam Sparacio, Essex Co. Wills, 1748-1750, (McLean, Va.: Antient Press 1992), EX-WB-29/92, p 72 (ANT.), 1749, pp 259-262, Will of Bernard Noel [ was witnessed by William Ayres;he was probably at least 14 and more likely 18 or more years of age].
- 7. Norman J. Ayres, Letter to Barry L. Marston, 1989, (L 178), [reports from his Ayres research that William Ayres was the oldest and the younger brother was named Thomas-Thomas Ayres their father].
- 8. William Ayres Will, 31 August 1791, codicil 2 Sep 1791, proved 20 Feb 1792, Virginia State Library, Essex Co. Va. Wills, p 273, [names wife Roseannah & children Samuel, Mary Scott Ayres, Living Ayres, Burtinhead Ayres].
- 9. Marquis Boultinghouse, "Silversmiths of Kentucky 1785-1900", (Boultinghouse 1980), pp 36-43.
- 10. James M. Bourne, "The Jameson Family", The William and Mary College Quarterly Historical Magazine, 1st Series, Vol. III (1895): 199-201, Vol. V (1896): 90-94, Vol. VIII (1900): 251-255. Reprinted in Genealogies of Virginia Families, Volume
- III, (Baltimore, MD: Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc. 1982), pp 143-153. Virginia Genealogies # 2, 1600s-1800s, CD# 186, Broderbund Software, (Genealogy.com), [ credit is given to James M. Bourne of Owenton Ky who compiled Jameson information from family Bibles and county records ].

# Descendants of Benjamin Sneed

### Generation No. 1

**1.** Benjamin<sup>2</sup> Sneed  $(John^1)^I$  was born Abt. 1740, and died 1781 in Caroline Co. Va.. He married Mary Coleman<sup>2</sup> Abt. 1765. She was born Abt. 1745, and died Abt. 1829 in Owen Co. Ky.<sup>3</sup>.

## Notes for Benjamin Sneed:

He was a constable for the district about Daniel's Mill-this area was cut off from King and Queen Co. and added to Caroline Co. He ran the tavern 1774-1781 at Daniel's Mill (Sneed Family stand).

## Notes for Mary Coleman:

Mary Ayres has been reported to be a Coleman in Roster of Revolutionary Ancestors under Benjamin Sneed. That her maiden name was Coleman is strongly suggested by the names of two of her sons-Samuel Coleman Sneed and Daniel Coleman Ayres. There were Colemans living in Caroline County including both a Daniel and a Samuel Coleman. Either a Samuel or a Daniel Coleman would seem to be a likely candidate for Mary's father but nothing has been found to confirm it. There were also those of the surname Daniel. One secondary source gives her name as Mary Elizabeth Coleman but there's been no original records found confirming that.

The likely progenitor of most Virginia Colemans was Robert Coleman of Mobjack Bay who settled in Gloucester Co. Virginia in 1638. One Robert Coleman came here with Sir Walter Raleigh's expedition in 1597, only to drown off the Carolina Coast. Daniel Coleman, son of Robert of Mobjack owned land in King William and King and Queen Counties. He died before 7 June 1722, the date his son Daniel presented an affidavit stating that his land had been divided. The part of King William his son lived in became Caroline in 1728 and in 1745 he moved to a part of Goochland that became Cumberland Co. in 1742. One Samuel Coleman, son of Robert and Mary Clayton Coleman was born in 1704 and died in 1748 in Caroline Co. Robert lived in King and Queen and was the son of Robert Coleman, son of Robert of Mobjack. Elizabeth Coleman, daughter of Robert and Mary Clayton Coleman married Capt. William Daniel.

Benjamin Sneed, first husband of Mary Ayres, was a constable for the district about Daniel's Mill. This area was cut off from King and Queen Co. and added to Caroline Co. Benjamin ran the tavern 1774-1781 at Daniel's Mill (Sneed Family stand). Daniel's Mill was mid-eastern Caroline Co. near the Essex line and South of Portabago Run and Fort A. P. Hill Reservation. With the Sneed and Coleman families apparently situated in the same general area of Caroline it suggests that Mary could have been a part of this Coleman Family as she must have been in this area to have met Benjamin Sneed. Mary Ayres appears on the Owen Co. Ky. tax list as late as 1829 [next to Lewis]. An older female appears in the census listing of Lewis Ayres in 1820 before he was married, which was probably Mary. Neither the 1830 listing for Lewis or Daniel gives such a female so Mary may have died about 1829

More About Mary Coleman:

Fact 1: spouses:Ky. Ct. appeal book o p.206

## More About Benjamin Sneed and Mary Coleman:

Marriage: Abt. 1765

## Children of Benjamin Sneed and Mary Coleman are:

- i. Benjamin<sup>3</sup> Sneed, died Unknown.
- 3 ii. Elizabeth Sneed, died Unknown. She married Samuel Sale; died Unknown.
- 4 iii. Susannah Sneed, born 1767; died Unknown. She married Carter Blanton 17 Aug 1787 in Caroline Co. Va.; died Unknown.

More About Carter Blanton and Susannah Sneed:

Marriage: 17 Aug 1787, Caroline Co. Va.

- 5 iv. Mary Sneed, born 1771; died Unknown. She married Thomas Daniel; died Abt. 1816.
- + 6 v. Samuel Coleman Sneed, born 1775; died 1817 in Gallatin Co. Ky.
- + 7 vi. Jane Sneed, born 05 Dec 1777 in Caroline County, Virginia; died 05 Nov 1832.
- + 8 vii. Nancy Sneed, born 1781; died Unknown.

#### Generation No. 2

**6.** Samuel Coleman<sup>3</sup> Sneed (Benjamin<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>) was born 1775, and died 1817 in Gallatin Co. Ky. He married **Polly Daniel** 30 Sep 1797 in Caroline Co. Va.. She was born Abt. 1775, and died Unknown.

More About Samuel Sneed and Polly Daniel:

Marriage: 30 Sep 1797, Caroline Co. Va.

## Children of Samuel Sneed and Polly Daniel are:

 i. Elizabeth<sup>4</sup> Sneed, born Abt. 1805 in Kentucky; died Unknown. She married Francis Moore 08 May 1824 in Owen Co. Ky.; born Abt. 1800 in Virginia; died Unknown.

More About Francis Moore and Elizabeth Sneed:

Marriage: 08 May 1824, Owen Co. Ky.

ii. Jane Sneed, born Abt. 1801; died Sep 1859 in Owen Co. Ky.. She married James Snape; died Unknown.

More About Jane Sneed:

Cause of Death: Typhoid Fever

- 11 iii. Samuel Sneed, died Unknown.
- iv. Fanny Sneed, died Unknown. She married James Chrisman 18 Jul 1821; died Unknown.

More About James Chrisman and Fanny Sneed:

Marriage: 18 Jul 1821

- v. William Sneed, died Unknown.
- vi. James Sneed, died Unknown.
- vii. Susan Sneed, died Unknown.

**7.** Jane<sup>3</sup> Sneed (Benjamin<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>) was born 05 Dec 1777 in Caroline County, Virginia, and died 05 Nov 1832. She married **Rev John Scott** 1795. He was born 08 May 1767 in Londonderry, Ireland, and died 1846 in Carroll County, Kentucky.

More About Rev John Scott:

Misc.: Children given in Darnell's Forks of Elkhorn

Religion: Bet. 1802 - 1833, Pastor of New Liberty Baptist Church

More About John Scott and Jane Sneed:

Marriage: 1795

## Children of Jane Sneed and John Scott are:

- i. Samuel<sup>4</sup> Scott, died Unknown.
- ii. Harriett Scott, died Unknown.
- iii. Robert Miller Scott, died Unknown.
- iv. Elizabeth Scott, died Unknown.
- v. John Taylor Scott, died Unknown.
- vi. William Alfred Scott, died Unknown.
- vii. Miriam Scott, died Unknown.
- viii. Melissa Scott, died Unknown.
- ix. James Blanton Scott, died Unknown.
- 25 x. Benjamin Sneed Scott, died Unknown.
- **8.** Nancy<sup>3</sup> Sneed (Benjamin<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>) was born 1781, and died Unknown. She married **John** Elliston 08 Nov 1799 in Mercer Co. Ky, son of Robert Elliston and Elizabeth Thorpe. He was born 26 Mar 1777 in Culpeper Co. Va, and died 17 Sep 1835 in Gallatin Co. Ky.

More About John Elliston and Nancy Sneed:

Marriage: 08 Nov 1799, Mercer Co. Ky

## Children of Nancy Sneed and John Elliston are:

- + 26 i. Maria<sup>4</sup> Elliston, born 25 Jul 1800 in Ky; died 1871 in Illinois.
  - 27 ii. Elizabeth Elliston, born 25 Jan 1802; died Unknown. She married James H. Sale 11 Feb 1819; died Unknown.

More About James Sale and Elizabeth Elliston:

Marriage: 11 Feb 1819

28 iii. Mary C. Elliston, born 15 Feb 1804; died 16 Sep 1844. She married John Elliston 11 Nov 1824; died Unknown.

More About John Elliston and Mary Elliston:

Marriage: 11 Nov 1824

iv. Susanna Elliston, born 06 May 1806; died Unknown. She married (1) Austin Knox; died Unknown. She married (2) A. Castleman 05 Jan 1826; died Unknown.

More About A. Castleman and Susanna Elliston:

Marriage: 05 Jan 1826

 Joseph T. Elliston, born 26 Aug 1808; died Unknown. He married Penelope Green 08 Nov 1833; died Unknown.

More About Joseph Elliston and Penelope Green:

Marriage: 08 Nov 1833

- + 31 vi. Benjamin S. Elliston, born 24 Feb 1811 in Pleasant Home, Owen Co. Ky; died 10 May 1894 in Hanover, Washington, Ks.
  - vii. Catherine B. Elliston, born 04 May 1813; died 24 Feb 1886 in Ghent Ky. She married William Reeves Scruggs 12 Mar 1830 in Switzerland, In; died Unknown.

More About William Scruggs and Catherine Elliston:

Marriage: 12 Mar 1830, Switzerland, In

viii. John Gano Elliston, born 24 Feb 1816; died Unknown. He married Amanda Craigmyle 08 Mar 1833 in Owen Co. Ky.; died Unknown.

More About John Elliston and Amanda Craigmyle:

Marriage: 08 Mar 1833, Owen Co. Ky.

- ix. E. Jane Elliston, born 11 Apr 1819; died 24 Mar 1820.
- 35 x. Jane S. Elliston, born 22 Feb 1821; died 11 Aug 1827.
- 36 xi. Robert Tuck Elliston, born 14 Oct 1825; died Dec 1845 in Illinois.

### Generation No. 3

**26.** Maria<sup>4</sup> Elliston (Nancy<sup>3</sup> Sneed, Benjamin<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>) was born 25 Jul 1800 in Ky, and died 1871 in Illinois. She married **Samuel Garvey** 26 Dec 1816, son of Job Garvey and Elizabeth Claxon. He was born 31 Aug 1794, and died 1881 in Illinois.

Notes for Samuel Garvey:

In 1830 he moved to Illinois, settling in Mechanicsburg township, Sangamon County. He farmed several hundred acres of land there.

More About Samuel Garvey: Military service: War of 1812

More About Samuel Garvey and Maria Elliston:

Marriage: 26 Dec 1816

Children of Maria Elliston and Samuel Garvey are:

- i. Samuel<sup>5</sup> Garvey, Jr., born 27 Aug 1825 in Owen Co. Ky; died Aft. 1903.
  - 38 ii. Polly Ann Garvey, died Unknown. She married Hampton; died Unknown.
  - 39 iii. Nancy Garvey, died Unknown. She married Hampton; died Unknown.
  - 40 iv. William Garvey, died Unknown.
  - v. Jane Garvey, died Unknown. She married Peedon; died Unknown.
  - vi. John Garvey, died Unknown.
- **31. Benjamin S.<sup>4</sup> Elliston** (Nancy<sup>3</sup> Sneed, Benjamin<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>) was born 24 Feb 1811 in Pleasant Home, Owen Co. Ky, and died 10 May 1894 in Hanover, Washington, Ks. He married **Susan T. Sharp** 29 Jan 1833 in Owen Co. Ky., daughter of Willis Sharp and Sally Widner. She was born 15 Feb 1817 in Owen Co. Ky, and died 02 Apr 1887 in Hanover, Washington, Ks.

Notes for Benjamin S. Elliston:

Children of

More About Benjamin Elliston and Susan Sharp:

Marriage: 29 Jan 1833, Owen Co. Ky.

Children of Benjamin Elliston and Susan Sharp are:

- i. John<sup>5</sup> Elliston, died Unknown.
- 44 ii. Mary Catherine Elliston, born 1834; died Unknown. She married George Marion Wood 07 Mar 1851 in Jefferson, II; died Unknown.

More About George Wood and Mary Elliston:

Marriage: 07 Mar 1851, Jefferson, Il

45 iii. George V. Elliston, born 01 Aug 1836 in Owen Co. Ky; died 18 Apr 1891 in Eberle, Effingham, IL. He married Katurah Knox 29 Mar 1857 in Waltonville, Jefferson, II; died Unknown.

More About George Elliston and Katurah Knox:

Marriage: 29 Mar 1857, Waltonville, Jefferson, Il

- iv. Robert A. Elliston, born 1839; died Unknown.
- 47 v. Newton S. Elliston, born 1841; died 04 Mar 1858.
- 48 vi. Jasper Elliston, born 1843; died Unknown. He married Elizabeth V. McCowen 30 Oct 1862 in Jefferson, II; died Unknown.

More About Jasper Elliston and Elizabeth McCowen:

Marriage: 30 Oct 1862, Jefferson, Il

- 49 vii. Thomas D. Elliston, born 1846; died Unknown.
- viii. Benjamin Franklin Elliston, born 1849; died Unknown.
- 51 ix. Harvey M. Elliston, born 1853; died Unknown.
- 52 x. Permelia A. Elliston, born 1855; died Unknown. She married William W. Shamhart 05 Dec 1876 in Effingham, II; died Unknown.

More About William Shamhart and Permelia Elliston:

Marriage: 05 Dec 1876, Effingham, Il

#### Generation No. 4

**37.** Samuel<sup>5</sup> Garvey, Jr. (Maria<sup>4</sup> Elliston, Nancy<sup>3</sup> Sneed, Benjamin<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>) was born 27 Aug 1825 in Owen Co. Ky, and died Aft. 1903. He married **Sarah Ann Gideon** 31 Jul 1849. She was born in Ohio, and died 03 Aug 1894.

## Notes for Samuel Garvey, Jr.:

Samuel evetually became the owner of more than 500 acres where he erected a fine residence and large and substantial barns. He was widely recognized as a successful stock raiser, making a specialty of horses, mules, hogs, and cattle. Samuel continued to engage in farming until 1882, when he removed to Buffalo and purchased residence property, on which he is now living retired. His activity in former years, resulting from a laudable ambition to achieve success, brought to him well merited prosperity and in agricultural circles he became widely and favorably known.

In his political affiliations Mr Garvey was formerly a Republican, but believing in temperance principles and feeling that the cause of temperance should be made one of the paramount issues before the people he joined the ranks of the Prohibition party. He served as commissioner of highways and had thus assisted in opening up different roads in his township, but he was never an

active politician in the sense of office seeking. He belonged to the Buffalo Christian church, of which he was an elder. His long residence in Sangamon county entitles him to representation among the early and honored pioneers and his upright life commands for him the respect and confidence of all with whom he had been associated.

More About Samuel Garvey and Sarah Gideon:

Marriage: 31 Jul 1849

## Children of Samuel Garvey and Sarah Gideon are:

- i. Ann M.<sup>6</sup> Garvey, died Unknown. She married George D. Ellington; died Unknown.
- 54 ii. Catherine J. Garvey, died Unknown. She married J. B. Rodgers; died Unknown.
- 55 iii. H. C. Garvey, died Unknown.
- iv. Mary Alice Garvey, died 08 Oct 1902 in Buffalo. She married D. C. Fletcher; died Unknown.
- v. Scott S. Garvey, born Abt. 1867; died 1871.

#### Endnotes

- 1. Cook, "Kentucky Court of Appeals Deed Books, Vol. III", (Evansville, Indiana: Cook Publications 1985), book O, p 206, [Mary was married to Benjamin Sneed].
- 2. Indiana DAR, "A Roster of Revolutionary Ancestors", (Evansville, Indiana: Unigraphics, INC. 1976), p 297, Benjamin Sneed, [married Mary Coleman; also she had two sons with Coleman as a middle name-often a maiden surname became a middle name for a child].
- 3. Mary Ayres entry, Tax List, Owen County Kentucky, 1829, Kentucky History Center Library, box 73-0319, 1819-1845 [Mary appears on the Gallatin and Owen County tax lists following the death of her husband and last appears in 1829 next to Lewis Ayres]; [Mary appeared to reside in 1820 in the houusehold of Lewis Ayres as one female over 45 years of age, but not in 1830].

# **Recognition of Veterans**

Never in the field of human conflict was so much owed by so many to so few.

Winston Churchill 1940

French & Indian War

Thomas Ayres

War of 1812

Daniel Coleman Ayres 1st Lieutenant Lewis Ayres 2nd Sergeant Mounted Volunteers

Civil War

James Thomas Ayres Orphan's Brigade

World War I

Edward Ross Ayres George W. Ayres Jacob A. Ayres Uval M. Ayres

World War II

Florian E. Ayres
Gerald Ayres Marine Corps
James Ayres Coast Guard
Nuvil C. Ayres
Othel P. Ayres
Vernon Ayres
Ralph Beatty, Sr. Army
Logan Deaton
James Doss Battle of the Bulge
Raymond Lee Dunavent killed in France
Prentice Kyle
Chester L. Marston Medical Corps
Purdy O'Banion Medical Detachment
Kenneth Stewart

Other

Carroll D. Ayres U. S. Air Force Cecil Estal Ayres Navy Gerald Scott Ayres Navy Jimmy Joe Ayres Army

Recognition of Veterans: 129

## Other

John W. Ayres Expert Jungle Survival Samuel Ayres Militia Terry Lee Ayres Air Force Everett Beatty Greg Hammond Harry Wright Ted Williams

# **Epilogue**

This, the internet version of my book does not include all of the materials that I have collected as it is somewhat restricted with regards to some of the living descendants and has some other changes. At this point there have been a number of revisions of this book and no doubt this book still contains errors but hopefully no major ones. Please let me know if you find errors or if you can share additional information on our relatives. I also hope to continue maintaining a web site where new or corrected data may in time be posted. A shortcut to my site can be obtained by "googling" the following [in quotes]: "marstonplantation". For info more specific to Ayres follow the link Ayres Tree from the first page. Other links from my page may be of interest.

Here I will give a bit about myself. I grew up on a farm and attended schools in Owen County Kentucky. I graduated from Georgetown College in 1969. I am retired from a career with the Kentucky State Police as a Forensic Scientist. I am a member of the Owen and Kentucky Historical Societies. I am a long-time member of the Kentucky Genealogical Society and have held several offices with the society over the years. I have been working on genealogy since the age of 10 or longer. Genealogy is my major hobby but I also enjoy the outdoors and fishing. Prior to publishing this book, I have had several articles published: my branch of the Marston Family in Marstons of Virginia by Robert L. Busby, 1990; Descendants of Thomas Marston, Bluegrass Roots, V.25, No. 3, 1998; Marston Family Mystery, Bluegrass Roots, V. 25, No. 3, 1998; Grandma Nuttall, Bluegrass Roots, V. 25, No. 4, 1998; Cadwallader, Bluegrass Roots, V. 25, No. 4,1998; The Meaning of Some Terms in Genealogy, Bluegrass Roots, V. 26, No. 1, 1999; a one copy book, Relatives [for a friend], 2000; Displaying Land Records, Bluegrass Roots, V. 28, No. 2, 2001.

It is hoped that I will be able to continue in similar fashion and publish additional family histories. It is anticipated that the next two books [after some additional attention to Marston Family research and organization] will cover my wife's families. One covering her maternal line will focus on Smith, Gardner, Wheatley, Allnutt, Arnold, Baker and their ancestors. The other on her paternal line will focus on Wainscott, Hunter, McDarment, Glass, Mason, and their ancestors. Then returning to my ancestry, I would like to give some attention to Hammond, Slaughter, Eads, Greene, Kemper, Layton, Wright, Wainscott, Dunavent, Hudson, Marston, and others. If you have information, family stories, photos, etc to share on any of these families, I would like to hear from you.

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## **Genealogy Crash Course**

Genealogy is one of the world's most popular hobbies. It is a very flexible hobby in many ways. Much work can be done without leaving the house. You can work on it for a while, stop, and then later come back to it. It can be enjoyed at any age. I wrote to a lady that I had corresponded with many years earlier. I heard back from her, now blind and 95 years old but she was still very interested in finding the name of one of her ancestors. For those that have not been involved in genealogy and family history research, but are interested in doing so, I write this "genealogy crash course". First start with yourself and record [and preserve] what you know about your parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, spouses, siblings, dates, places etc. Then contact relatives that might know more about them. Even distant cousins may have more information about your ancestors than what you have. It makes the endeavor more interesting if you can learn of family stories or any biographical info about your ancestors and get copies of family photos. Also don't neglect stories and biographies about people in the present as they soon become a part of family history. Have a curiosity about your ancestors. Organize the data as you find it in some easily-retrieved form by families and/or surnames. It's much better to get organized from the start than it is later on. A computer is not necessary, but it can be a very valuable tool in organizing and presenting the data that you find such as on family group & pedigree sheets or in computer-printed books. A computer [yours or at a library] will allow you to access many on-line genealogical sources such as censuses. A few popular on-line sites are Latter-Day Saints [ http:// www.familysearch. org/Eng /Search/ frameset\_search.asp? PAGE=search\_all1.asp &clear\_form=true], Rootsweb [http://www.rootsweb.com/], & genealogy.com. An extensive list of genealogy-related sites can be found at Cyndi's List [http://www.cyndislist.com/]. However be wary of secondary information found on-line without sources or documentation. It's been said that an undocumented genealogy is just mythology. Also the internet "contains" only a tiny fraction of all the records that exist and many records are not even microfilmed. That record you need to trace your lineage may never be available on the internet unless you find it in the original records and list it there. Consider internet data as leads to be checked further against the original records. Original records can be found in libraries, archives, courthouses and other places [gold is where you find it]. Microfilm of original records from all over the world can be ordered [rental] at a nominal cost from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints' Library in Salt Lake City, Utah for viewing at one of many branch libraries across the country. Joining historical and genealogical societies both



in your locale and in the areas where your ancestors lived can be helpful. Many of these organizations sponsor genealogy classes, and seminars, and also publish periodicals. Sometimes you can find a published book containing the records for which you are searching. Some places to look for these books are: Genealogical **Publishing** Co. and Clearfield Co. [http://www.genealogical.com/], The Antient Press [http:// www.antientpress.com/], or even Amazon.Com. You can improve your research skills by subscribing to magazines such as Family Chronicle. A genealogist has some of the skills of a librarian, photographer, lawyer, and especially a detective. Genealogy is something like being a detective without carrying

a gun but a gun could come in handy while exploring overgrown, snake-infested cemeteries. The effective genealogist must have a keen interest in finding the truth wherever it leads him/her. The genealogist must have both an open and a skeptical mind. The most valuable

trait is that of perseverance. As with many pursuits, it helps to be proactive-don't wait for that record you need to show up on the internet if you can obtain it another way. Illustrative of that is this account from my Ayres research. In September 2002 I was looking at microfilm of Gallatin County deed indexes at State Archives. I found reference to an 1830 deed [book G page 422] from Ritchie Ayres to Martha Ayres. Finding the name Ritchie peaked my interest having seen the name before. I then tried to find this deed in microfilm of Gallatin deed books. I looked in book G [microfilm] but the film stopped before page 422! I then wrote to the county clerk of Gallatin County at Warsaw. I thought it would be easy to get a copy as I knew the book and page number that I needed and sent a check to cover it. The clerk promptly returned my letter and check saying they didn't have adequate help to do it and referred me to a local researcher. I then promptly sent my request to the researcher and at this writing I still haven't even heard back from her. Finally, in March 2004 I made a trip to Warsaw to check the original. The old books were locked in a room downstairs and they unlocked it for me. Despite the disarray, book G was soon found and page 422 was in it! This [with other info] gave me the names of two children of Thomas Ayres, Jr. [who had predeceased his father] and gave me the info that Ritchie Ayres [first cousin to "Lum" Ayres] was then residing in Pike Co., Missouri. Researching your family is an adventure!

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